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"Go Ye Into All The World"

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

held with

STRAIGHTFORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Cherokee, N. C.

September 29,30
October 30, 1966

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Jack Jackson, Moderator.....Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Ass't Moderator.Cherokee, N.C.
Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Clerk.....Cherokee, N.C.
Sister Ella West, Treasurer.....Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N.C.

HISTORIANS

Rev. James M. Parris, Historian..Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian....Cherokee, N.C.

COMMITTEES

Executive.....Pastor and one layman from each church.

Time and Place...Bro. John Wolfe, Bro.Dewitt Owle, and Bro. Ross Smoker.

Missions.....Bro. Jack Jackson, Rev. Larry Bryson, Bro. Buck West, Rev. Enoch Owle, Bro. Dock Smith, and Bro. James M. Parris.

Finance.....Bro. Jim Bradley, Bro. Ed Welch, and Sister Ella West.

Minutes.....Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Rev. Larry Bryson, Sister Naomi Sneed, and Bro. J.M. Parris.

MESSENGERS

Bethabara.....Rev. Thomas Lambert, Sister Marylin Lambert, Bro. Willis Queen, Sister Bessie Long.

Big Cove.....Sister Sadie Bradley, Sister Katie Davis, Rev. James M. Parris, Bro. Buck West.

Bigwitch.....Letter sent. No messengers- No pastor.

Boiling Springs.....Not active- no pastor.

Cherokee.....Rev. Larry Bryson, Sister Betty Crowe, Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Sister Nancy Bushyhead, Bro. Oliver Smith.

Echota.....Bro. Isaac Welch.

Macedonia.....Rev. Enoch Owle, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Abraham George, Bro. Jack Jackson, Sister Ollie Owle, Sister Mary Blythe, Sister Rosa George, Sister Mary Jackson, Sister Sallie Hornbuckle.

Piney Grove.....Sister Sallie Teesateskie.

Rock Springs.....Bro. James Bradley, Bro. James G. Welch, Bro. Jesse Maney, Sister Claudia Seay.

Straightfork.....Bro. Joe Wolfe, Bro. George Driver, Sister Martha Ross, Sister Mollie Sequoyah, Sister Emmaline Driver,

Waterfalls.....Bro. Edd Welch, Rev. Arthur Locust, Sister Annie Mae Hornbuckle, Sister Nita Reed.

Wrights Creek.....Bro. John Smith, Bro. Albert Crowe, Bro. Hartman Hornbuckle.

MESSENGERS cont.

Yellow Hill.....Rev. Robert Bushyhead, Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Bro. Wally Screamer, Sister Ella West.

Zion Hill.....Bro. Ross Smoker, Bro. William Byrd.

Little Snowbird.....No letter- no messengers.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethern invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the association but vote on none.
3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without the permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the association.
8. The association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. (EST) and close at 3:00 P.M. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

Article III. This association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the church in the assocation. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body.

Article IV. The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment: also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each annual session to pay the expenses of the association if church financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for 2 years in sucession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the association.

Article V. The officers of the association shall be moderator, ass't moderator, interpreter, clerk, treasurer, historian, and missionary.

icle VI. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

icle VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

icle VIII. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

icle IX. Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose and, if received, the moderator shall extend her the right of fellowship.

icle X. The association may invite visiting brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

icle XI. The annual session of this body s shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect moderator and assistant moderator.
3. Elect clerk, interpreter, treasurer, and historian.
4. Elect executive committee and missionary.
5. Denomination sermon.
6. Hear reports of committees.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for treasurer's report.
10. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

THE EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
STRAIGHTFORK BAPTIST CHURCH
September 29, 1966

The 86th annual session of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association met with the Straightfork Baptist Church this September 29th, 1966. The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. with singing. The theme of the association is "Return Unto the Lord". Isaiah 55:1-7.

Bro. Joe Wolfe had the devotion for the morning reading Luke 13:1-5, he also read in the Indian language. Prayer by Bro. James Parris.

The moderator called for the letters from the churches to be read. So carried. There were 11 churches represented and 34 messengers present of the 42 appointed by their respective churches.

A motion made an sustained by a second to accept the letters and to seat the messengers. Carried..

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

There was a motion made and sustained by a second to retain all the officers of the association. Carried. This consists of the moderator, as'st moderator, clerk, treasurer, interpreter, historian and committees.

The late letters were called to be read. There was a motion made and sustained by a second to accept Yellow Hill and Little Snowbird's letter. Carried.

Moderator calls Bro. Jim Conley to lead in a song, "Draw Me Nearer", an offering was received in the amount of $12.94.

The time for the 11:00 o'clock sermon was turned over to Bro. Jim Conley. He spoke from the second chapter of Titus and read the 1-7 verses. The context of his message was, we must preach sound doctrine, free from fault in these times, living it in our lives for there is someone walking in our footstep. A man is known by the fruit he bears.

Bro. Robert Bushyhead lead a song "There is Power in the Blood", and a fellowship handshake was extended to all. Bro. James Parris closed the morning session with prayer. Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. James Parris, sining in the Indian language, Bro. Bushyhead led singing in English.

The devotions were led by Bro. Buck West. He read from Jerimiah 29:13 and commented on same. He closed with prayer.

Roll call with 34 messengers present.

A letter from the Bigwitch Baptist Church was presented and read. A motion made and sustained by a second to accept the letter and money. Carried. No messengers were listed to represent them at the meeting.

The speaker for State Missions was not present and Bro. Larry Bryson reported on same.

STATE MISSIONS

Rev. Robert Bruhn, Administrative Assistant to Dr. Perry Crouch spoke briefly on the second day concernin State Missions. Rev. Bruhn briught greetings from the North Carolina State Convention and from Dr. Crough.

Rev. Bruhn emphasized the need for each individual to practice his Christianity each day. He also urged that each of us look for opportunities to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention seeks to carry out a Ministry to every area and meet the needs of every group of people through out the State of North Carolina.

Temperance report was given by Bro. Jarrett Blythe. Also several comments were heard from the floor on the welfare of our children on the reservation.

Sister Emily Walkingstick gave the Woman's Missionary Union report.

W.M.U. REPORT

I want to express thanks to our Chief where he said results are often slow to identify. This helped my feelings of discouragement that our women do not care enough to respond to their obligations in W.M.U. work. I am sorry to say I have only one W.M.U. report to make. That of the Waterfall church. They have twelve youthful members who have a sincere concern in missionary needs. Recently they elected four new officers for the new church year. A junior GA was organized by Shirley Walkingstick with eight girls for junior age. There were four Y.W.A. girls needing a leader. W.M.U. work is about two years old in their church. This W.M.U. is beginning to see action through the community as these women launch forth.
Are you concerned about the youth in your community? Your own children? How about your home? Do you teach them the Bible? Be concerned about souls of people in your community. There are plenty who need attention.

Two other W.M.U. reports not given in above report, which were submitted later, are that of the Cherokee Baptist Church and Big Cove Baptist Church.

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH W.M.U.

The W.M.U. of the Cherokee Baptist Church had three active circles with 29 members. Intermediate and Junior GAs 28 members. Beginner Sunbeams with 12 members. Mrs. John Reagan was President of the Missionary Society. Other officers were Bea Smith, Vice President; Emily Walkingstick, Edna Horton Circle Chairman; Eloise Bryson, Night Circle Chairman; Bea Smith, Young ladies circle. The W.M.S. sponsered both Foreign and Home Mission study courses to which all Baptist churches of the reservation were invited to participate. Our goals for both Home and Foreign Missions was set at $317.00 each, out total offering surpassed the $634.00 goal.

In addition to our regular monthly community missions carried out by each circle. Each circle helped a needy child for one year, Helping to dress the child for school, a present at Easter, Birthday, Christmas, etc. seeking to fulfill other physical and spiritual needs.

This report submitted by Mrs. Pearl Reagan.

The Big Cove W.M.U. had six active members in 1966. The President was Katie Davis. Their W.M.U. carried out various projects during the year.

The obituary report was given by Bro. Jim Bradley.

Our beloved dead are:

Rock Springs:	Henry Bradley
	Sam Saunooke
Macedonia:	Eliza Jane Youngdeer
	John Taylor
Yellow Hill:	Jonah Teesateskie
	Arch Blythe
	Geneva Smith
Wrights Creek:	Mary Hornbuckle
Cherokee:	Betty Haigler
Bethabara:	Frank Griffin
Piney Grove:	Agnes Lossiah
Zion Hill:	Sam Brown

There was a motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the reports that were given, State Missions, Temperance, W.M.U. and Obituary. Carried.

A motion made and sustained by a second that written reports of different committees be turned in to clerk by the first of November. Any reports not in on said date will be omitted from the minutes. Carried.

Mr. McLemore a visitor from Oklahoma and a Cherokee was given time to speak which we enjoyed very much.

The moderator called for the minutes to be read and so carried. A motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

There were closing remarks by the moderator and he asked Bro. James Parris to lead a song and extended fellowship handshake to all.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Sanders McLemore.

STRAIGHTFORK BAPTIST CHURCH
Cherokee, North Carolina
SEPTEMBER 30, 1966 10:00 A.M.

The second day of the Cherokee Baptist Association began with singing led by Bro. James Parris. The devotions were led by Bro. Oliver Smith, he read Luke 24:46-48 and commented on same. Bro. Ike Jackson led in prayer.

Roll call was made with 27 messengers present.

The moderator retains the Time & Place committee, the Missions committee, Finance committee and the minutes committee.

Bro. Ed Welch gave a report on Ordained Ministers in our Association.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Enoch Owl, Authur Locust, Dweese Bradley, Dock Lambert, Able Lossiah, E. B. Lindsay, James Parris, John Walkingstick, Larry Bryson, Ben Bushyhead,(retired), Billy Morris (student), Fred Roland, Clifford Hornbuckle, Dewitt Owl, Willie Owle, Thomas Lambert, Dock Smith, Goliath George, Robert Bushyhead, Solomon Queen, Ike Jackson, Martin Smith, Glen J. Bradley, Nick Bradley, Sheperd Squirrel, Ed Jumper, Sam Walkingstick.

Ordained Ministers report cont.

Bro. Ed Welch read John 21:15-17 with comments, and asks "Some of our churches are without Pastors, where are the ministers who are ordained and called by the Holy Spirit of God?

A motion made and sustained by a second to accept Bro. Ed's report on ordained ministers of those listed in the Associational letters. Carried.

Bro. Larry Bryson introduced the State Missions worker Bro. Bob Brune, who gave a report.

A song was sung and an offering was received in the amount of $11.35.

The 11:00 o'clock service began with singing and Bro. Jim Conley sung "How Great Thou Art". Bro. Joe Smith was the speaker of the hour and he read Matthew 5:14-16. His subject being "Christian's Responsibility to the World". The context of his message was that the Child of God must be the light of the world and spread the Gospel to all men. He closed his sermon with singing, extended an invitation.

Moderator called for a song and a warm handshake of fellowship was extended. Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Bro. James Parris started the afternoon session with singing. The devotions were led by Bro. Ross Smoker. He read Matthew 1:1-8, Isaiah 55:6-7 and commented on same in the Cherokee language. Bro. Parris led in prayer. Bro. Enoch Owle read the same in English.

Roll call with 29 messengers present.

Sunday School report was read by the moderator in the absence of Bro. E.B. Lindsay. There were some corrections made in the numbers of churches with Sunday schools and total attendance. A motion made and sustained by a second to accept the Sunday school report with corrections made. Carried.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

After Jesus had been crucified on the cross for our sins and after the glorious resurrection, just before he ascended back to the Father He told his disciples to "Go ye therefore and teach all nations". The Sunday School is the agency of the church that can do this part of the Great Commission, therefore we feel that the Sunday School work of our churches has the approval of God. We believe that our Sunday Schools have the greatest opportunity of any phase of our church work to win souls to Christ. Every teacher should strive to live the gospel and to teach the gospel in such a way that they can win their pupils to Christ and to Christian living. We believe that Southern Baptist publishes the best literature that any Baptist church could use. We think that it is a great tragedy that so many of our churches in Western North Carolina deprive their children and adults of the fine teaching that is provided for them by our Sunday School Board. Our Sunday schools have a great opportunity of stressing our work as a denomination.

Sunday School report, cont.

Through our Sunday Schools we can teach our people to support our Baptist Program. Our people hear so much criticism of our Baptist work from people who are oppsed to our work, who put self and selfish interest before the cause of Christ and unless we in our churches give them the truth, our causes will suffer. Our people should be taught that Southern Baptist stand for the true gospel of Christ. Our people should be led to give through the Cooperative Program and to support all the causes that our Baptist denomination sponsers. We find that every church in the Cherokee Association is having Sunday school every Sunday but two. Also that a fine Sunday school convention is held every third Sunday in each month. There are around 1085 people enrolled in the fifteen Sunday Schools. Several of the churches have Sunday school rooms already. We trust that before too long that all of the churches will have them. Our Sunday schools need trained, loyal teachers and officers, though, more than anything else. Lets pray that the Lord of harvest will send more laborers into the harvest.

There was no training union report.

The 2:00 o'clock message was brough by Bro. Ike Jackson. He had prayer and read Isaiah 55:6-7, the theme of the Association. His text for his sermon was found in Colossians 3:1-5, "Seek ye the Lord, While He may be Found".

He preached in the Cherokee language, the context of his message being that we must so dedicate our lives to God while He is near. There will come a time when He will be judge. Bro. Enoch Owle interprets in English.

The minutes of the day were called for and read. A motion was made and sustained by a second to approve the minutes as read. Carried.

A song was sung and handshake of fellowship was extended. Benediction prayer by Bro. Issaic Welch.

STRAIGHTFORK BAPTIST CHURCH
CHEROKEE, N.C.
October 1, 1966

SATURDAY 10:00 a.m.

The morning session began with singing in the Cherokee language led by Bro. James Parris. Devotions were given by Bro. Jess Maney reading second Peter 3:9-14 and commented on same.

Roll call with 27 messengers answering to their names. There was a motion made and sustained by a second to invite our visiting brethern to seat with us. Carried.

The Associational program called for a report on Baptist Hospital, no report. Bro. Bob Clegg of Sylva was introduced and he reported on Baptist Children's Home. Bro. Owle interprets the report in Indian.

A motion made and sustained by a second to accept this report when the written report is handed in. Carried.

Moderator called for a song and a love offering was received for Bro. Morgan Rattler in the amount of $16.32.

The 11:00 o'clock service was turned over to Bro. Larry Bryson who is the speaker of the hour. His scripture reading was taken from the 3 Gospels- "How to Win Men" Luke 4:29-13,16 Mark 3:13-19; Matthew 10:1-4. We should so dedicate our lives to God that sinners may see and know we are Christians. And through us may accept Christ as Saviour.

While singing, a fellowship handshake was extenoed to all. Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Bob Clegg. Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Bro. James Parris led the singing in the Cherokee Language for the afternoon session. The devotions were led by Bro. James Parris in the absence of Bro. Israel Davis. He read Revelations 7:13-17 and commented on same. Prayer by Bro. Sanders McLemore.

27 messengers answer to roll call.

Time and Place committee make their report and the next Association will meet with the Rock Springs Baptist Church next year.

Sister Ella West makes the Treasurers report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the bank at the beginning of the Associational year 1965. $174.76

October 9, 1965 (Offering & money from churches) $178.92

$353.68

October 9, 1965- Sam Teesateskie 50.00

October 22, 1965-Ruth Bushyhead 10.00

Sept. 13, 1966-Smoky Mt. Times 7.50

Expenditures $67.50

Balance in bank $286.18

Offering & money from churches 154.29

$440.47

Bro. Ben Bushyhead gives the Historical report orally, Bro. Parris will hand in the written report.

There was a motion made and sustained by a second to accept the reports as given. Carried.

Bro. James Parris made a report on the cost of markers for the graves of our deceased ministers. This committee was sent out from the last Association.

It was moved and sustained by a second that the moderator appoint a committee on Christian Life Education, they are as follows: Bro. James Parris Bro. Larry Bryson, Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Robert Bushyhead and Bro. Ike Jackson.

Bro. James Parris is to be the Chairman of the group. Carried. It is the business of the committee to secure literature or pamphlets, films and get speakers for the purpose of educating our young people on wholesome living.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to release the Mission committee and to strike Article 13 from the Constitution. Carried.

There was a motion made and sustained by a second to nominate Bro. Thomas Lambert as the Associational Missionary.

A motion made and sustained by a second that the minutes of the day be read and so carried.

A motion made an sustained by a second to approve the minutes as read. Carried.

A motion made and sustained by a second to close the business part of the meeting until our next Associational meeting. Carried.

A song was sung and the right hand of fellowship was extended to all. Prayer for adjournmennt.

Moderator- Jack Jackson
Clerk- Ruth Bushyhead

HISTORIAN REPORT

It may be well to call to mind the "Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association was organized in 1881. It is to be deplored that at this time only a few conscrated members of the minutes of this Association can be found.

It is earnestly requested that from this date forward much care should be given to preserving the records that will give the history of the proceeding of this body. This report would be incomplete without acknowledging with gratitude the work done by ALFRED CORN in 1840, a faithful missionary among the Indians.

In 1853 Alfred Corn was appointed by the Domestic and Indian board of the Southern Baptist Convention. After four years his appointment was discontinued because of lack of funds. The war between the States was then on, this however, made no difference so far as his labor was concerned. Though left to his own resources he continued to preach and visit among them, a number of strong were converted and called to the ministry under his preaching.

Rev. Armstrong Cornsilk, who was active in the ministry for more than fifty years, was pastor of the Buffalo church when he died in the pulpit in 1925. The last sermon Bro. Corn preached while sitting in a chair, he was to feeble to stand, Bro. Cornsilk heard this sermon and testified that it was a great message.

Rev. John Jackson was a faithful servant at that time in 1876. There was a fine group of

native ministers found when the first missionaries was sent to this Indian reservation from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Georgia in 1917.

MINISTERS

Rev. John Jackson	Rev. George Hornbuckle
Rev. Bird Salolaneeta	Rev. Ute Jumper
Rev. Andrew Otter	Rev. Suate Owle
Rev. Vandaley Bradley	Rev. W.B. Ratliff
Rev. James Screamer	

Cherokee Baptist Church

The Mission church at Cherokee, N. C. There was a meeting at the "Cherokee Mission" August 19, 1923 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of organizing it into a Missionary Baptist Church. The Presbytery was composed of the following: Rev. Hamilton of Shawnee, Oklahoma; Rev. J.N. Lee, William Ratliff, and Dan D. Bradley of Cherokee.

Rev. Hamilton was chairman and after a brief talk on "Baptist History" he read the Petionary letter.

He then read the articles of Faith as recorded in E.T. Hixcox church manual and it was approved by those who were to form the new church.

Rev. Hamilton then read the Covenant after which the Presbytery gave the new members the right hand of fellowship. Then members gave each other the right hand of fellowship.

Mr. Hamilton then pronounced the church duly organized.

After being pronounced a duly organized church the members proceeded to select a name for the new church. By unanimous vote it was named, "Cherokee Baptist Church".

The church then unanimously selected the following officers:

Johnson Owl.....Deacon
Hugh N. Lambert.....Clerk
Mrs. Pulliam.....Treasurer
Mrs. J.N. Lee.....Ass't Treasurer

The church did not elect a pastor as they already had one, Rev. J.N. Lee who was sent by the Home Mission Board, the same Mission board also had the church built.

A motion was put before the church to have Brother Johnson Owl ordained. The motion carried and he was ordained by the Presbytery. Rev. J.N. Lee offered the ordaining prayer.

The members then gave him the right-hand of fellowship. Hymn number 66 was then sung.

After announcements benediction was pronounced by Rev. Hamilton.

Rev. Robert Hamilton, Moderator
Hugh N. Lambert, Church Clerk

MISSION PASTORS

Rev. J.N. Lee 1915-1933
Rev. W.F. Sinclair....1933-1935
Rev. W.H. Fitzgerald..1935-1944
Rev. J.J. Johnson.....1944-1948
Rev. Ewell Payne.....1948-1954
Rev. Charles Ginn.....1954
Rev. L.R. Baumgarter..1955-1956
Rev. J.D. Griffin.....1957-1962
Bro. J. Boyd Horton...1962 (Interim)
Rev. Roy Smith.....1963 (Interim)
Rev. Larry Bryson.....1963 (Present)

CHURCHES (organized)

Echota..... 1851
Yellow Hill..... 1873
Macedonia.....1880
Big Cove.....1886
Wrights Creek.....1900
Boiling Springs.....1904
Piney Grove.....1910
Cherokee Mission.....1923
Straight Fork.....1939
Rock Hill.....1941
Sequoygh.....1945
Big Witch.....1951
Rock Springs.....unknow
Zion Hill.....1909
Little Snowbird.....1950
Waterfalls.....1962

STUDENT SUMMER MISSIONS

This past summer two groups of students from North Carolina and Georgia worked for a period of ten weeks on the Reservation. The ten students from North Carolina worked at the Rock Springs Baptist Church and the Georgia Students numbering 18 worked at the Bethabara Baptist Church.

The North Carolina students constructed an 1800 sq. ft. educational building for Rock Springs. The building contained classes for Nursery, Beginner, Primary, and fellowship room. The building is equipted with a kitchen. The floors are tiled floor. The old building was painted and a new roof was added. The building is heated by gas.

The students from Georgia constructed the Bethabara Church. The building contains 4400 sq. ft. The sanctuary seats 180 and the educational space provides rooms for 185. The overall space is adequate for Nursery through Adults. The building was constructed out of concrete block, concrete floor, with tile covering. The building also contains kitchen facility and room enough for a fellowship hall. The church landscaped the area and provided the labor on the parking lot.

Mr. Oliver Smith was again foreman for one group, the Georgia students. Mr. Albert Lambert was foreman for the North Carolina Students.

This was prehaps the most extended ministry of this type ever attempted in the SBC. It was a blessing to our area and to these Churches.

PASTOR'S & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....Dewitt Owl, Rt.1, Whittier
Big Cove.....James M. Parris, Cherokee
Bigwitch.....no pastor
Boiling Springs....no pastor
Cherokee.....Larry Bryson, Cherokee
Echota.....no pastor
Little Snowbird....Ed Jumper, Robbinsville
Macedonia.....Enoch Owle, Cherokee
Rock Hill.....no report
Rock Springs.....Dock Smith, Cherokee
Straightfork.....E.B. Lindsay, Bryson City
Waterfalls.....Arthur Locust, Bryson City
Wrights Creek.....Fred Roland, Bryson City
Yellow Hill.....Robert Bushyhead, Cherokee
Zion Hill.....Ike Jackson, Robbinsville

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....Gene Crowe, Cherokee
Big Cove.....Charles Sequoyah, Cherokee
Bigwitch.....John Crowe, Cherokee
Boiling Springs....none
Cherokee.....Jerry Beck, Cherokee
Echota.....none
Little Snowbird....?
Macedonia.....Abraham George, Whittier
Rock Hill.....?
Rock Springs.....John Tahquette, Cherokee
Straightfork.....?
Waterfalls.....Glen Reed, Cherokee
Wrights Creek.....Albert Crowe, Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....Robert Bushyhead, Cherokee
Zion Hill.....Toss Teesateskie, Robbinsvill

CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....Mr. Walter E. Lambert
Route 1
Whittier, N. C.

Big Cove.....Mrs, Katie Davis
Star Route
Cherokee, N.C.

Bigwitch.....Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Box 73
Cherokee, N.C.

Boiling Springs.....no report

Cherokee.....Miss Judy Ownby
Star Route
Cherokee, N.C.

Echota.....Mr. Issac Welch
Cherokee
North Carolina

Little Snowbird.....Mrs. Ruby Roberts
Robinsville
North Carolina

Macedonia.....Mr. Jack Jackson
Route 1, Box 163
Whittier, N.C.

Rock Hill..... ?

Rock Springs.....Mrs. Cecelia Taylor
Cherokee
North Carolina

Straightfork.....Mr. Joe Wolfe
Cherokee
North Carolina

Waterfalls.....Mrs. Annie Mae Hornbuckle
Cherokee
Hornbuckle

CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES cont.

Yellow Hill.....Mrs. Ella West
Cherokee
North Carolina
Wrights Creek.....Mr. Jake Maney
Cherokee
North Carolina
Zion Hill.....Mrs. Hettie Smoker
Rt. 1
Robbinsville, N.C.

CHURCH TREASURERS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....Mr. Walter E. Lambert
Route 1
Whittier, N. C.
Big Cove.....Mr. Buck West
Box 27
Cherokee, N.C.
Bigwitch.....Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Box 73
Cherokee, N.C.
Boiling Springs.....?
Cherokee.....Miss Judy Ownby
Star Route
Cherokee, N.C.
Echota.....Issac Welch
Cherokee
North Carolina
Little Snowbird.....?
Macedonia.....?
Rock Hill.....?
Rock Springs.....Mrs. Myrtle Youngbird
Box 527
Cherokee, N.C.

CHURCH TREASURERS & ADDRESSES cont.

Straightfork.....?

Waterfalls.....Mr. Ed Welch
Route 1
Cherokee, N.C.

Yellow Hill.....Mrs. Ella West
Cherokee
North Carolina

Wrights Creek.....Mr. Gilbert Crowe
Cherokee
North Carolina

Zion Hill.....Mrs. Annie C. Brown
Robbinsville
North Carolina

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

held with

ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Cherokee, N. C.

September 28, 29, 30, 1967

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BIG WITCH BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 3, 4, 5, 1968

IN MEMORIAM TO

Bro. Jack C. Jackson

and

Bro. Ross Smoker

Since our Cherokee Indian Baptist Association met in 1966, two brethren who worked with the Association long and were faithful in their duties and responsibilities have died.

Bro. Jack C. Jackson, was a member of the Macedonia Baptist Church. He was an ordained Deacon of many years and served as Church Clerk until his death. He served as Moderator of the Association for five years.

Bro. Ross Smoker, was a member of the Zion Hill Baptist Church. He was an ordained Deacon of many years and was always a messenger from his church to the Association. He served on the "Time & Place" Committee of the Union Meeting for approximately five years.

These men were good workers and dedicated to the will of God and it is to them that we dedicate this 87th edition of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association Minutes.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Enoch Owle, Moderator....Cherokee, N. C.
Bro. Buck West, Asst. Modt....Cherokee, N. C.
Sister Ella West, Clerk.....Cherokee, N. C.
Interpreter.....Moderator & Asst. Moderator

HISTORIANS

Rev. James M. Parris..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead..... Cherokee, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Bro. Ike Jackson.....Robinsville, N.C.

COMMITTEES

Executive.....Pastors and one layman from each church.
Time & Place..Bro. John Maney; Bro. Ed Welch and Bro. Israel Davis.

Mission

Finance.....Bro. Jim Bradley; Bro. Ed Welch; and Sister Katie Davis.

MESSENGERS

Bethabara.....Mrs. Katherine Crisp; Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe, and Mrs. Ester Lee Waldroup.

Big Cove..... Bro. James M. Parris; Bro. Buck West; Mrs. Susie West; Mrs. Katie Davis and Mrs. Viola French.

Big Witch.....Bro. Ed Welch; Mrs. Annie Hornbuckle; Mrs. Lucy Long; Bro. Arthur Locust.

Boiling Springs....

Cherokee.....Bro. Blake Sneed; Bro. Oliver Smith; Bro. Ben Bushyhead; Mrs. Nancy Bushyhead; Mrs. Juanita Owl; and Bro. Ed Sharpe.

Echota.....Bro. Lloyd Lambert; and Nannie Taylor.

Little Snowbird....No Report

Macedonia.....Bro. Jess Teeleskie; Bro. Enoch Owl; Bro. Walter Jackson; Bro. Jerrett Blythe; Mrs. Nola Teeleskie; Mrs. Minda Reed; Mrs. Mary Blythe; Mrs. Sallie Hornbuckle.

Rock Hill.....No Report

Rock Springs.....Bro. Dock Smith; Bro. James Welch; Bro. Moody Reed; Bro. Jesse Maney; Mrs. Savannah Bigwitch; and Cecelia Taylor.

Straightfork.....Bro. Joe Wolfe; Bro. George Driver; Mrs. Mollie Sequoyah.

Waterfalls..Bro.Ed Welch, Mrs. Annie Hornbuckle, Mrs. Luch Long; and Bro.Arthur Locust.

Wrights Creek.Elena Smith, Hartman Hornbuckle.

Yellow Hill...Israel Davis, Calvin Hornbuckle, John Jessan, Margaret Davis.

Zion Hill.....Bro. Ike Jackson, Bro. Israel Davis.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethern invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. (EST) and close at 3:00 P.M. (EST)

CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishments of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

Article III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body.

Article... The messengers from each church will
IV bear letters certifying their appointment: also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for two years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the Association.

Article... The Officers of the Association shall
V. be Moderator, Asst. Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, and Missionary.

Article... It shall be the duty of the Moderator
VI. to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article... It shall be the duty of the clerk to
VII. record all proceedings of each Annual Session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Article... It shall be the duty of the Treas. to
VII. receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

Article. . Any ch. desiring to become a member
IX of the body shall present her petitions at an early session of this association through her messengers.

Article... The Association may invite visiting
X brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

Article... The Annual Session of this body shall
XI begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article... All committee reports or anythiing
XII pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treas., Historian.
4. Elect Executive committee and Missionary.
5. Denomination Sermon.
6. Hear reports of committee.
7. Provide for printing of the minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each da
9. Call for Treasurer's report.
10. Miscelleaneous business.

MISSIONARY RESPONSIBILITY

Article 13. NATURE OF WORK

1. The missionary shall not serve any one chur more than two consecutive months as interi pastor. If under unusual circumstances, the church still has need of the service of the Miss. a request can be made to the Missions Committee for an extension of not more than five Sundays.
2. The Miss. shall promote the programs of our Southern Bapt.Con. among the churches in this Assoc.-S.S.,T.U.,W.M.U.,Bro.Hood.,Missions (Hospital, Cooperative Prog.,ForeignMissions, Home Missions, Children Homes, St.Missions Home for the aging, etc.)

3. The Missionary shall visit each church at least one time per year and assist any church at any time he is called upon.
4. The Missionary shall support and promote special services among churches, such as revivals, study courses, union meetings,etc.
5. The Missionary shall edit and publish a monthly bulletin which will be sent to all pastors, deacons, S.S. Superintendents, T.U. Directors, teachers, and church officers.
6. The Missionary shall make a monthly report through the Associational News Bulletin.
7. The Missionary shall attend meetings provided by the N. C. Bapt. State Con. that will help him carry on his work in our churches.
8. The Missionary will be allowed to participate the following number of weeks in meetings outside the immediate Association:
   a. Two-one week, or 1 two week revivals.
   b. Two weeks of denominational work.
   c. Two weeks vacation with pay.
9. The Missionary shall be responsible to the Missions Committee which is elected by the Executive Committee of the Association.
10. The Missionary shall be called for an indefinite period of time. The party will give at least 30 days notice before termination.

PROCEEDINGS
THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH, SEPT. 28-30, 1967

The 87th Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association opened on Thursday, Sept. 28, 1967 at 10:00 A.M. the meeting being held with the Rock Springs Baptist Church. The theme "The Holy Spirit" singing led by Bro.Moody Reed.

Devotion led by Bro. Jim Bradley, using for his scripture reading Acts 1:28. Commenting on this verse and some in Galatians.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to read the church letters and seat the messengers. Carried. A motion was made and second to read the letters thru "church membership". Carried. Letters read by Clerk, Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead. Motion made and second to accept the letters read and seat the messengers. Carried.

A Motion was made and sustained by a second to elect officers one at a time. Carried. The following were elected by a unamious vote:
Moderator.....Bro. Enoch Owl
Asst. Moderator.....Bro. Buck West
Clerk.....Sister Ella West
Treasurer.....Sister Katie Davis
Motion made and sustained by a second that the moderator and asst. moderator act as interpreters. Carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second to retain the Historians Bro. J.M. Parris and Bro. Ben Bushyhead. Carried.
Missionary Bro. Ike Jackson was retained by a unamious vote.

A song was sung and an offering of $10.61 was received.

Prayer led by Bro. Ed Sharpe. The 11:00 service was then turned over to Bro. Dock Smith, using for his scripture Luke 15:23; Gensis 1:1-2; Romans 12:1 and John 6:44. Reminding us the importance of staying completely in the will of God and giving the Holy Spirit full right of way in our lives. When souls are at stake we need to wake up and realize the need about us. God is speaking to His servants saying go out and be obedient to me and let me work through you. Prayer by Bro. E. B. Lindsay. Adjourned for Lunch

The afternoon session convened at 1:00 and the services began with singing led by Bro. Moody Reed. Devotion by Bro. Ed Welch, reading John 16:7-11, speaking of being full of the Holy Spirit. There is nothing impossible for God, if we will just be willing for God to use us, the word of God convicts and the Holy Spirit draws. Closed with prayer led by Bro. J.M. Parris.

Bro. W.R. Wagoner, was given this time to speak of the Baptist Children's Home. Quoting Mark 12: 28-31, Jesus was never to busy to help those in need; never to busy to cease having compassion; Told of a new Children's Home to be built in our area. Thanked the Association for the co-operation given this past Associational year.

Bro. J. H. Bowden, of the Baptist Hosptial, Winston-Salem, N. C. He told of the great work being done to help their patients and the effective job being done in witnessing to the patients.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the two reports given. Carried.

Bro. Enoch Owle, the Moderator, interpreted the report on the Children's Home and Baptist Hospital in the Indian language.

OBITUARY REPORT

Bethabara: Bro. George Lambert, Sis.Maggie Griffin
Big Witch: Sis. Edith Bradley.
Cherokee: Miss Darlene Hall; Bro. Roy Browning.
Echota: Sis. Lizzie Ratliff
Macedonia: Bro. Jack Jackson; Sis. Golinda Queen.
Rock Springs: Bro. John Arneach; Mrs. Betty Chickalele; Mrs. Nona Long.
Yellow Hill: Bro. Ossie Crowe; Bro. William Owl.
Zion Hill: Deacon Ross Smoker.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the obituary report with the additions made. Carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to dedicate this years minutes to Bro. Jack Jackson and Bro. Ross Smoker, both deacons. Carried. Minutes of the day were called for and read. A motion was made and sustained by a second to approve of the minutes as read. Carried.

A fellowship hand shake was given and the meeting adjourned with a benediction by Bro. Jesse Maney.

ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
September 29, 1967

The morning session of the Association began at 10:00 and the song service was led by Bro. James M. Parris. Alter prayer led by Bro. Ike Jackson. Devotion by Bro. Israel Davis, reading Acts 19: 1-7. in English but spoke in the Indian language reminding us how our ancestors carried on God's work and now it is in our hands to carry on this work. Bro. Ben Bushyhead read the same scripture in Indian. Prayer by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

Roll Call with 36 messengers present.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Big Cove....Bro. James Parris, John Walkingstick.
Bethabara:..Bro. Dewitt Owl; Bro. Fred Rolland; Bro. Thomas Lambert; Bro. Willie Owl.
Cherokee....Bro. Ed Sharpe, Bro. Ben Bushyhead.
Macedonia...Bro. Enoch Owl, Bro. Sam Queen.
Rock Springs.Bro. Dock Smith, Bro.Goliath George.
Water Falls..Bro. Arthur Locust.
Wrights Creek..Bro. Roy Bryson, Clifford Hornbuckle.
Yellow Hill: Bro. Shepard Squirrell; Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Ordained ministers continued.
The Association voted to include Bro. Nick Bradley and Bro. Ed Jumper to this list.
Respectively submitted---Jarrett B. Blythe.

Moved and sustained by a second to adopt the Ordained Ministers report. Carried.

A song was sung and an offering of $13.00 receivec

A motion was made and sustained by a second to retain the finance committee with the addition of sister Katie Davis. Carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to turn this time over to Bro. William A. Poole, Supt., Home for the Aging. The N. C. Bapt. are supporting and ministering unto the aged with Christian love. To know them is to love them. The greatest joy in my life is letting God use me in helping others. Inviting the Association to visit the homes.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the report on the Home for the Aged.Carried.

It being time for the eleven o'clock services the Moderator turned the services over to Bro. Ed Sharpe, who brough the morning message. He spoke briefly of the importance of sharing with others and especially cooperating with the different phases of the State Convention. Bro. Sharpe used for his scripture Gal.5:16-26. The Holy Spirit gives us life. It is the spirit that wants to guide and direct our lives day by day and minute by minute. Our biggest problem is getting people who call themselves Christians and are wearing the badge of a Christian to act like Christians. We need to live it in love, concern and in our private lives. In our Christian lives we are to exhibit and demonstrate what God has done in our lives and can do through us.

In my own personal life like Christ loving, rightous and concerned? God wants to demonstrate what He can do through us. Everyone that is called a Christian is responsible for the word of God. We are compared with salt and light; they penetrate and we are to penetrate into the darkened area of the world. Are we reaching out and penetrating into the uttermost parts of the world as we are commanded or, are we just concerned in our own circle? If you live by the Spirit ye ought to also walk by the Spirit. Closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned for lunch with a benediction by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

The afternoon session began with a song service led by Bro. Moody Reed. Bro. Ed Sharpe introduced Mr. Foschick, Area Special Education representative from Washington. Bro. Foschik, expressed his joy of being present and enjoyed the reception given him.

Devotion by Bro. Walter Jackson. Prayer led by Bro. James Parris. Bro. Walter read John 3:5. Jesus was stressing to Nicodemus the importance of repentance and being baptized. Nicedemus was wanting to see the light. We all need to let the Holy Spirit abide in our hearts to lead us in the light. Bro. Walter stated he desired an interest in our prayers as he really needed them. Prayer by Bro. Buck West.

Roll call with 39 messengers present.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

After Jesus had been crucified on the cross for our sins, and after the glorious resurrection. Before He ascended back to the Father He told his desciples to "go ye, therefore, and teach all nations" The S.S. is the agency of the church that can do this part of the Great Commission.

Therefore we feel that the Sunday School work of our churches has the approval of God. We believe that our S.S. have the greatest opportunity of any phase of our church work to win souls to Christ. Every teacher should strive to live the gospel and to teach the gospel in such a way that they can win their pupils to Christ and to Christian living. In looking around we can see that we have 17 churches in our Baptist Association and out of these churches we have one that does not have a Sunday School or any kind of service. We can see a great work for our Associational Missionary, in this church. I think he should spend all the time in this church that is needed there to get this Sunday School going. Every Sunday School should go to our S.S. Convention, on the third Sunday in each month. There are about 1100 people enrolled in these Sunday schools. Let us pray that the Lord will bless each teacher that they will try to win more souls to Christ. Thank You.--John W.Maney.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the Sunday School report as given. Carried.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

Study to show thyself approved unto God.IITim. 2:15 was Paul's advice to Christians. We know that God places a great value on training. Christians who bypass the road to training usually do not do much for the Kingdom of God.

Throughout the Bible we can easily pick out and identify leaders. Men such as Moses and Samuel in the Old Book to such outstanding characters as Peter and Paul in the New Testament. These were the college menof their day. Not all of these leaders were as well trained as Moses and Paul, but were trained in Bible knowledge and in Christian service.

The leader mentioned in the Bible did not call their programs "Training Union" but their purpose was the same - Eligah conducted a "School of Prophets", Priscilla and Acquilla instructed Apollos and he in turn instructed others.

We may never speak as well as Peter and Paul or some leader in our own church and we might not become the best Bible teacher in our church, but if we even amount to anything in the service of God we must become trained church members. "Follow me, and I will make you" Matt.4:19 was spoken by Jesus. Depend upon Jesus and he will make us the kind of church workers God would have us to be.

There are certain things we must do to become trained workers for God:

1. We must love the Lord, and love mankind.
2. We must have a deep and abiding desire to learn.
3. We must determine to do the job at hand to the best of our ability.
4. And above all, we should not give up or dispair.

Clothe these qualities in prayer and daily surrender to God's will and we cannot fail.
Adapted from and article by Kay Aldridge.

At present there are only two churches with T.U. organized within the Association but it is our prayer.that with God's help and the cooperation of the Association membership that next year there may be some more churches with an organized Training Union.

I am sure I voice the feeling of both these churches when I say that we will be happy to assist any church that wishes to start a "Training Union".

The Tasks of the Training Union Program are:
1. Teach systematic Theology, Christian Ethics, Christian History, Church Policy and Organization.
2. Give Orientation to New Church Members.
3. Train all church members to worshi, witness, learn, and minister daily.
4. Train leaders for the church and the denomination: a. discover, recruit and train potential leaders.
b. Provide for specialized training.
5. Provide organization and leadership for special projects of the church.
6. Provide and interpret information regarding the work of the church and the denomination.

Rock Springs Baptist Church Training Union has a membership of 47, 5 classes and 7 teachers, Director Savannah Bigwitch, Avg. Attendance 43. We meet each Sunday at 6:30 p.m.
Cherokee Baptist Church T.U., Director Everett Crisp, Enrollment 90, 7 classes and 10 teachers. We meet at 5:45 P.M. each Sunday. Everyone goes directly to their classes.
Respectfully submitted Savannsh Bigwitch.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the T.U. report as given. Carried.

A song was sung and prayer led by Bro. Dock Smith. The meeting was turned over to Bro. Ike Jackson, who broughtthe message, using for his scripture Acts 2:1-4, stating the greatness of the Holy Spirit and how we need to follow the leadership in all our undertakings. He read I Cor. 3:17; Romans 8:5-6, urging us to follow after the spiritual things.

Bro. James Parris, asked to be excused from the Association tonight as this is his night to go to Buffalo Baptist Church, Robbinsville, N. C. to help that church and said he would take Bro. Buck West with him. A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Parris and Bro. West. Carried.

Bro. Jarrett Blythe, asked the Association to excuse him and Sister Mary tomorrow, stating he would try and be back sometime during the session. A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Jarrett and Sis. Mary Blythe tomorrow. Carried.

A motion was made and second to hear the reading of the minutes. Carried, Minutes read. Moved and sustained by a second to approve the minutes as read. Carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the business part of the meeting until 10:00 A.M. tomorrow. Carried.

Whilte a song was being sung a fellowship handshake was given. Meeting adjourned with a benediction by Bro. Israel Davis.

ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
September 30, 1967

The Association began according to adjournment with a song service led by Bro. Moody Reed. Prayer led by Bro. Moody Reed.

Devotion by Bro. Hillard Smith, reading Romans 8:1-14, reminding us if we are children of God we should not want to be doing the things of the world which is a sin before God. We can always turn to God in times of trouble and temptations. He will help us and strengthen us. We can only please God by doing His will through the Spirit. We are going to know it and we will not have a desire to do the things contrary to the will of God. Bro. Hillard requested our prayers.

Roll call with 32 messengers present.

Bro. John Crowe, being absent, it was moved and sustained by a second to all the time allotted for the Temperance report to Bro. Robert H. Bruhn of Raleigh, N. C. Carried. Bro. Bruhn, spoke on the work of the State Mission. Quoting Acts 1:1 and other verses in Acts. God says we are flaming evengelists for Him. We are commanded to go to Jerusalem which is where you are; Samaria- N.C.; Judea- U.S.; uttermost parts - the world. He asked what kind of a Baptist are you and Sister Margaret Davis, answered Missionary Baptist. Then he asked why? Bro. Hillard Smith, said because God commanded "Go ye into all the world". There is a difference in what we say and do. We want to give to the cooperative program. He told of the streams that flowed into the Dead Sea and why the Dead Sea was so named. He then asked the question, What have you done in the County, State and the World, or are you like the Dead Sea keeping it all for yourself? We have 2208 Foregin Missionaries and 2165 Home Missionaries who are representing you if you have had a part in giving to the Cooperative Program. If you are not a sharing Christian you will began to shrivel and fade away. Closed with prayer. Moved and sustained by a second to adopt the report given on Home Missions.

HISTORIAN REPORT

It may be well to call to mind the "Cherokee Missionary Baptist Asso." was organized in 1881.

It is to be deplored that at this time only a few consecutive numbers of the minutes of this Association can be found. It is earnestly requested that from this date forward much care should be given to preserving the records that will give the history of the proceedings of this body. This report would be incomplete without acknowledging with graditude the work done by Alfred Corn, in 1840. A faithful missionary among the Indians in 1853. Alfred Corn was appointed by Domestic and Indian Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. After four years his appointment was discontinued, because of lack of funds. The war between the states was then on. This, however, made no difference so far as his labor was concerned. Though left to his own resources, he continued to preach and visit among them. A number of strong men were converted and called to the ministry under his preaching.

Rev. Armstrong Cornsilk, who was active in the ministry for more than ifity years, was pastor of the Buffalo Church, when he died in the pulpit in 1925. That lastsermon Bro. Corn preached, while sitting on the chair, for he was too feeble to stand. Bro. Cornsilk heard this sermon and testified that it was a great message. Rev. John Jackson, was a faithful servant at that time in 1876.

There was a fine group of native ministers found when the first Missionary was sent to this Indian Reservation, by the HMB, Atlanta,Ga. in 1917. ---Rev. Andrew Otter; Rev. Vandaly Bradley; Rev. George Hornbuckle; Rev. Ute Jumper; Rev. Suate Owl; Rev. W.B. Ratliff and Rev. James Screamer.

Historian Report cont.

	CHURCH	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1910	Macedonia	George Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	John Mumblehead
1911	Rock Springs	W.B. Ratliff	Andrew Otter	Jackson Long
1912	Echota	John Jackson	Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1913	No Record			
1914	Yellow Hill	W.B. Ratliff	Bird Saloaneeta	Jackson Long
1915	Rock Springs		Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1916	No Record			
1917	No Record			
1918	No Record			
1919	Big Cove	J. N. Lee	Ute Jumper	Ben Bushyhead
1920	Macedonia		Ute Jumper	Ben Bushyhead
1921	No Record			
1922	No Record			
1923	Echota	N. N. Lee	Ute Jumper	H.N. Lambert

1924	Cherokee	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	H.N. Lambert
1925	Rock Springs	James Screamer	Ute Jumper	H.N. Lambert
1926	No Record			
1927	Zion Hill	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	Mrs.J.N. Lee
1928	Echota	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs.J.N. Lee
1929	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1930	Cherokee	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J.N. Lee
1931	Rock Springs	J. N. Lee	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J.N. Lee
1932	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1933	Macedonia	Vandaley Bradley	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owl
1934	Echota	Jonah Lossie	Ute Jumper	W. L. French
1935	No Record			
1936	Wrights Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owl
1937	Rock Springs			
1938	Zion Hill		R. C. Smith	Johnson Owl
1939	Echota	Robert Smith	Robert Smith	Johnson Owl

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the Historian report. Carried.

While a song was sung an offering of $11.63 was received.

The Moderator turned the services over to Bro. James Parris, who brought the morning message. He reminded us that the Bible says "For we are laborers together with God." You are to be a laborer and not a loafer. Quoted I Tim.3:1 desireth good work reading Romans 8:1. Condemnation- any person outside of Jesus Christ is condemned. They that believe not, the wrath of God abides on them. Reading II Cro. 5, any man being in Christ is a new creature in Christ, we have 17 sins listed if we are partakers of, we are condemned but there is no condemnation to those that are in Jesus Christ. We know when when we have passed from death unto life, we have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. If we are a new creature, we will have an inward testmony for God. Closed his message with prayer.

Adjourned for lunch with a prayer by Bro. Thomas Lambert.

The afternoon session with singing led by Bro. Moody Reed. Devotion by Bro. Mike Crowe, reading Romans 8:5-14; John 3:5-8 Jesus rose by the spirit, if you are a Christian you to will be raised by the spirit. The Holy Spirit is referred to as the third person of the Trinity. We refer to evil ghost as it and which one will over rule is up to you. Prayer by Bro.James Parris

Roll call with 34 messengers present.

TIME & PLACE REPORT

The next Association will be with the Big Witch Baptist Church, October 3,4,5, 1968.

Report from the finance committee was given and a budget for the coming Associational year was given.

Associational Missionary (paid quarterly)	$100.00
Printing of minutes	15.00
Stamps	2.00
Miscelleaneous	25.00
Clerk	10.00

Committee: Bro. Ed Welch
Bro. James Bradley
Sister Katie Welch

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the finance report and the budget for the coming Associational year. Carried.

Missionary report was given by Bro. Thomas Lambert reading Is. 64:8-9 and told of the churches he had visited.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the report given by Bro. Thomas Lambert. Carried.

Sister Savannah Bigwitch suggests that a meeting be called and all churches come to discuss Training Union in your churches. The Asst. Moderator told her to set a date for this meeting and notify the churches of the date.

Minutes of the day ere called for and read. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

Moved and sustained by a second to adjourn the business part of the meeting until our next meeting in 1968. Carried.

While a song was being sung a fellowship was extended and meeting adjourned with a benediction by Bro. Ed Sharpe.

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Rock Springs..Henson Rattler; Clyda M. Rattler; Cecelia Taylor.

Straight Fork.....George Driver; Roy French; Emaline Driver.

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Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
BIG WITCH BAPTIST CHURCH, OCT.3,4,5,1968.

The 88th Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

The Moderator told how thankful we should be for what God had done for us and permitting us to meet again at this association.

Devotion was led by Bro. John A. Crowe who reminded us of the urgent need of bearing our cross by dying out to sin and fully comitting ourselves to God. This should be done daily and through prayer. Alter prayer led by Bro. John Crowe.

Letters to the Association were then read with 12 churches represented and 28 messengers present.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the letters and seat the messengers. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made and sustained by a second to retain the present Moderator, Bro. Enoch Owle and the Asst. moderator Bro. Buck West. Motion carried.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator.

TIME & PLACE: Bro. Ed Welch, Bro. Israel Davis and Sister Margaret Davis.
FINANCE: Bro. James M. Parris, Bro. Jarrett Blythe and Sister Katie Davis.
HISTORIAN: Bro. James Parris and Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Issac Welch Jr. for the remainder of the day, due to illness. Motion carried.

Prayer led by Bro. Dewitt Owle.

While a song was sung an offering of $12.58 was received.

The eleven o'clock services were turned over to Bro. Joe Bradley who spoke briefly on the recent reforendum and how we need to be awake and not stop now. Bro. Joe used for his scripture

Romans 12:1-2. "God is expecting you and I to present our bodies a living sacrifice. We don't need to get on a house top or hill top and shout that we are a Christian, but we can show that we are children of God by our actions. Some of us are dead sacrifices. God wants us to be a living sacrifice, and anything that is living is something that moves. We need to make more sacrifices to God; even all that we have, just like Abraham did. God comes frist and all these other things shall be added. If there was ever a time for us to get humble and be faithful to God, it is now. How long has it been since you witnessed for God? The crucifixion of Jesus was the big sacrifice that was made for our sins. Everyone comes short of giving God the praise and honor for what He has done for us. He gave His only begotten Son that we might have everlasting life. Jesus prayed "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do." We are going to have to join hands and work for God."
Bro. Joe closed his message with prayer.

Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle asked permission to speak a few words. He was granted the request by the Moderator.

ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. James Parris.

Devotion was led by Bro. Ed Welch, reading Matt. 10:37. "We need to deny ourselves in order to sacrifice ourselves to God. We are a new man in Christ." Prayer led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Roll Call was next with 28 messengers present.

The moderator announced that we have a visitor from Mars Hill College who wants to say hello. A motion was made and sustained by a second to give this time to our visitor. Motion carried.

Bro. Bob Melvin, Chaplin at Mars Hill College came bringing greetings from Mars Hill. "Since this college belongs to you and all Baptists, we wanted to come and say hello. Jesus said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel". He also told His disciples to teach them all things whatsoever I have commanded you. This can mean Christian education. Bro. Melvin told of an experience he had with the young son of Dr. Claude White and how he had responded to the news of his father's death and as they walked on campus the son said all he could think about were the good things and what a wonderful father he was. "I want that my children would be prepared to face such a situation with this spirit, Bro. Melvin said. Bro. Melvin expressed his thankfulness for this opportunity to speak and extended best wishes to the association.

Bro. Jesse Bailey, representing the Truett Camp at Hayseville, N. C. was given time to speak. He told of the work they were doing for our young people and the building program they are in. He requested the support of our Association and our churches and individuals. He told us that the camp was named in honor of George W. Truett but above all it is building to honor Christ and teach God's word. The camp is for boys and girls. There will be three weeks for girls, two weeks for the junior girls and one week for the intermediate girls. There will be three weeks for the boys, too. The cost will be $12.00 per week. He requested that we send our boys and girls to camp and that we also send a contribution. Bro. Jesse stated that he went to school with Bro. Parris and would have to leave the Association soon, as he had another meeting to go to but would stay for Bro. Parris' report.
Bro. Parris made a report on alcohol, reading 1 Thes. 5:5-9 and making reference to the

letter in the C.A.P. paper.

Bro. Tom Clayton, Sylva, N.C. representing the Children's Home told us that our Baptist Children's Home is still reaching out to help our Baptist children all over the world. Over 12 million children were cared for last year. We have more children from broken homes how. Remember the Children's home in the Thanksgiving Home Offering. God has said "When you do it unto one of the least of these you do it unto me". He stated that they are hoping to have children in the new home being built in this area by September 1969. Bro. Clayton distributed literature.

OBITUARY REPORT

Light, Music, Beauty, Joy;
This is the life into which the redeemed souls step into at the moment of death. Life beyond shich God has provided for those who love Him. 1 Cor. 2:9. Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for those who love him. Our beloved dead are:

BETHABARA: Bro. John McCoy, Nora McCoy.
CHEROKEE: Darlene McCoy, Lizzie Taylor, Amos Bradley, Mary Lloyd Allen, Nancy Bushyhead, C.G. Walker.
MACEDONIA: Lloyd Bigwitch.
ROCK SPRINGS: Lizzie Youngbird, David Youngbird, Issac Littlejohn.
STRAIGHTFORK: Annie Welch.
WIRHGTS CREEK: Henry Walkingstick.
YELLOW HILL: John Queen, Wally Screamer, Simon Standingdeer.
ZION HILL: Job Conseen, Katherine W. Long.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the reports that have been given. Carried.

Bro. Oliver Smith asked to be excused for the remainder of the day's session.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that Bro. Oliver be excused. Carried.

Bro. Ed Sharpe spoke of the interest Dr. Claude White had in the churches on the reservation for a Sunday School enlargement program. He had been here and talked to Bro. Enoch Owle and Bro. Sharpe. He came for our last Union Meeting but took the wrong road and it was 4 o'clock when he got to little snowbird. Bro. White had planned to be at our next Sunday School Convention. Bro. Sharpe requested that we have a special prayer for the family of Bro. White and that the Association send a token of remembrance. Special prayer was led by Bro. James Parris

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned with prayer Bro. Ed Sharpe.

BIG WITCH BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 4, 1968.

The Association began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

In the absence of Bro. James Bradley who was on the program, the devotion was led by Bro. Dillard Maney who read Luke 9:62. "This is a 24 hour a day job. Some seem to think God stays here in this building but in reality He is within us. We can choose to let Him have full control of our lives or we can push Him back in the corner of our lives. He told how that at their church 10 brave Christians who were willing to participate in an undertaking were asked to come forward and several came. They were asked

to spend time in devotion and prayer and do a good deed for a specific person. I find in my praying (Satan is always present) when I am getting close to God my mind is sometimes taken completely off my prayerand I catch myself thinking of something else, not always worldly things, it can be some phase of the church work, but it takes my mind off my prayer and the line of thought I had.

Prayer led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Roll Call was next with 29 menssengers present.

ORDAINED MINISTERS
by Bro. James M. Parris

Big Cove.....Bro. James M. Parris, Bro. John Walkingstick.
Big Witch....Bro. Glen J. Bradley, Bro. Nick Bradley.
Bethabara....Bro. Dewitt Owle, Bro. Fred Roland, Bro. Thomas Lambert, Bro. Willie Owle.
Cherokee.....Bro. Ed Sharpe, Bro. Ben Bushyhead.
Macedonia....Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Sam Queen.
Rock Springs.Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Goliath George.
Water Falls..Bro. Arthur Locust.
Wrights Creek..Bro. Roy Bryson, Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle.
Yellow Hill....Bro. Shephard Squirrell.
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It was moved and sustained by a second that Article # 12 of the 1940 Association minutes be added to our present constitution. This article reads, "We will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who

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SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT
by Bro. Warren Crowe

As we all know, Sunday School is an important agency of the church. One of it's most important tasks is the leading of all church members to worship, witness, learn and to minister daily. Through its teachers it reaches the young, the old, the saved and the unsaved. Through its visitation programs it reaches the sick, the shut-ins and most important, it can reach the un-reached or the out-siders.

In years past our Sunday Schools reached out-siders far better that we do today. In the walking years before automation, a drink of water needed, as teachers and pupils went their dusty ways, served to fellowship and minister to people along the roads. Once they were inside the church, Sunday School Classes through friend-ship and instruction kept them returning Sunday after Sunday. Our Sundays Schools grew and our churches flourished.

Today, sad to say, through atuomation, our cars whisk us past our neighbros homes, never stopp-ing to say hello, only a wave of the hand and we are gone. We never take the time to reach for the un-reached or the out-sider. Is it any wonder that our Sunday School Teachers teach the same faces Sunday after Sunday?? Does it become a bore; teaching the already convinced? Is this why so many good teachers decline the offer to teach? Let us take a new attitude toward our Sunday School through the basic committment approach. For example; the disciples: Shortly after Calvary and before Pentecost, the dis-ciples had little grasp of what Jesus Christ's

goals were. But sometime between Calvary and Pentecost, Acts does not reveal the exact time, the disciples took their basic committment: That the works of Christ would not fall nor fail. To look at another moment of such dedication and committment; take the Alamo Story. A group under Colonel Travis took a voluntary committment to defend unto death, the Alamo; a church. One hundred eighty-seven men stepped forward that Sunday, March 6, 1836 and gave their all for their beliefs--If we today would take such a committment, we would see our church grow through our Sunday Schools.

Let us look at Rev. 4:1. John tells us, "After this I looked and behold a door was opened in Heaven, and the first voice I heard was as it were a trumpet talking to me." Someone has well said; the Lord had only one Son and he sent Him here to be a preacher. We can only thank God that He did send Him to us. The Lord talked to other prophets of the old world. He knew what's best for this one. Let us listen to another voice, now. The voice of the modern world, lost in sin, groping in darkness, helpless, sick, lost blundering around in a Satan entrapped, sin-cursed world, speeding headlong down the road to distruction. This voice crying for help, crying for the bread of Heaven. Who can give this help? Our ministers? Yes, with the help of our Sunday Schools.

Let us now take three small words that Jesus himself used; come, tarry and go. Come unto the Lord Jesus for personal salvation..Tarry for the infilling of the Holy Spirit..Go as a sould winner to reap the precious harvest for the Master. If we take our basic committment and stick to it and these three small words, with improvement in our churches.

Moved and sustained by a second to adopt these reports as given. Carried.

While a song was being sung an offering of $20.32 was received.

Prayer led by Bro. Ed Sharpe.

The morning message was brought by Bro. Dewitt Owle, "We do not get to the top of the ladder with the first step but we go up round by round. God wants us to enjoy our salvation. We need to separate ourselves from the things of the world, refering to Luke 9:62, Psalms 119:89 and other scriptures. We need to wake up and pray. How long has it been since you really felt your salvation? We have His words in our heart and when we begin to feel weak we need to exercise our faith. Bro. Owle told of his personal experience of salvation and read Rev. 22:18-19. It is up to us to tell of the power of God and His greatness, reading 1 Peter 1:23-24.

While a song was sung a fellowship handshake was given.

ADJOURN FOR LUNCH

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Devotion was led by Bro. Israel Davis with prayer being led by Bro. Enoch Owle. Bro. Israel read for his scripture 11 Cor. 6:17. "We come out from among them when we accept Christ as our Saviour. We need to watch ourselves as to how we talk, walk and act so we can go out and be an effective witness for Christ. Bro. Ike Jackson read 11 Cor. 6:17 in Cherokee and Bro. Israel spoke in Cherokee on the scripture.

Roll Call was next with 28 messengers present.

Bro. Ed Sharpe talked on financing the work of the church, reading Psalms 24:1.

MISSIONARY REPORT
by Bro. Ike Jackson

Sermons preached.....103
Conversions..... 83
Churches visited..... 24
Homes visited..... 38
No. of visits to Hosp..... 8
No. of Revivals held..... 8

The Historian report was given by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

A motion was made an sustained by a second to adopt the reports that have been given. Carried.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

Moved and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. John Driver.

BIG WITCH BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 5, 1968

The Association began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Devotion was led by Bro. Sequoyah Driver who read 1 John 2:15 and expressed his tahnkfulness for what God had done for him and the privilege of being at this meeting and having a part on the

program. He said he has only been Christian for 10 months and requested an interest in our prayers.

Prayer led by Bro. Stanley Ogle.

Roll Call was next with 23 messengers present.

Song and testimony time was next. Those taking part were; Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Joe Bradley, Bro. Oliver Smith, Bro. Ed Welch, Bro. Issac Welch Jr. and Bro. Henson Rattler.

While a song was sung an offering of $15.68 was received.

Alter prayer was led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

The service was then turned over to Bro. James Parris who brought the Doctrinal Sermon. Bro. Parris used for his scripture Gal. 1:15-16 and Eph. 4:7-11, 1 Tim. 1 and other scriptures. "There is a difference in having the Son revealed to you and revealed in you. A preacher is apt to teach, first he ought to be saved and have the assurance of his salvation. Saved by the blood of Jesus Christ and his marvelous Grace, referring to the 6th chapter of Iasiah, "If a man is called of God to preach he will have a burning desire to preach the word of God and nothing can discourage him. Bro. Parris closed his message with a song and then turned the balance of his time over to Bro. Jim Conley of Canton, N. C., who spoke using for his scripture 11 Cor. 9:15 and his theme being "Unspeakable means inexpressable. This gift of God is inexpressable, closing his message with prayer.

Since it was 12:45 it was voted unanimously to adjourn for lunch and come back at 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH

The afternoon session began at 1:30 p.m. and it was moved and sustained by a second to give Bro. Jim Conley one half of the offering which was received this A.M. as a love offering. This amount was $7.50. Motion carried.

TIME & PLACE REPORT

The next Association will be with the Zion Hill Baptist Church, Robbinsville, N. C. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1969.

FINANCE REPORT AND BUDGET FOR THE NEXT ASSOC.YR.

Assoc. Missionary (pd. quarterly)...	$125.00
Printing of minutes.....	25.00
Miscellaneous.....	50.00
Clerk.....	15.00

Committee;
Bro. Ed Welch
Bro. Jarrett Blythe
Sister Katie Davis

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the finance report. Carried.

The minutes of the day were called for and read. A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

Moved and sustained by a second to close the meeting until our next Association. Carried.

The meeting was closed with prayer led by Bro. Israel Davis.

Bro. Enoch Owle, Moderator
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Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, OCT. 2,3,4, 1969

The meeting began with singing led by Bro. James Parris.

The devotion was led by Bro. Israel Davis, by request of Bro. Mason Ledford, who was on the program, but said he could not read. Bro. Israel asked for another verse of song and invited everyone to the alter for prayer, led by Bro. Ike Jackson. Bro. Israel read for his scripture Matthew 15:7-9 with comments on scripture read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that the clerk only read the first two columns of the letters and the names of the messengers. Carried.

The letters were read with 12 churches represented and 27 messengers present.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the letters after the pastors names were corrected on Wrights Creek and Waterfalls letter, and seat the messengers. Motion carried.

The following officers were elected to serve for the coming year: Moderator, Bro. Dewitt Owle; Asst. Moderator and Interpreter, Bro. Buck West; Clerk, Sister Lou Crowe, Treasurer, Sister Katie Davis; Missionary, Bro. John David Arch.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that Bro. John David think and pray about his acceptance as Missionary, until Saturday and if he decides to accept that the Association write to Yellow Hill and ask them to set a time and select presbytery to ordain him. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that the Moderator only appoint one committee to make the report on the Children's Home and the other committees be announced this afternoon. Carried.

The moderator appointed Bro. Ed Sharpe to give the Children's Home report.

After a song was sung a motion was made and sustained by a second to read the letter from Macedonia. Carried. The letter was read and it was moved and seconded to accept the letter and seat the messengers. Carried.

The morning message was brought by Bro. Dewitt Owle, who agreed to change days with Bro. Ford, as Bro. Ford was unable to be here today. Bro. Owle read for his scripture John 3:3. His theme was "Who is a Christian?" "Too many church members are only giving "lip service" and have never been born again. We need to die out to sin and have a new birth. (Reference - Romans 6:6-7) Too many people are trying to work out their salvation by becoming church members and bringing their tithes and offering into the house of the Lord. A Christian will bring forth a little fruit. When we're saved, God puts a desire with-in us to want to go out and witness to the lost and lead them to Christ. When we become a Christian, we become a separated people. The Bible tells us that we can tell what a man is by the fruit he bears. The Holy Spirit will not abide in our hearts when we keep secret sin

within us..(reference, Luke 14:33) A person will know whether he is a Christian or Not! There must be a complete surrender to Christ.

At the conclusion of his message Bro. Owle called for Bro. James Parris to pray.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

The devotion was led by Bro. John David Arch who read and commented on Matthew 23:27,28.

Roll Call was next with 26 messengers present.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator: Obituary, Sister Winifred Scott; Time and Place, Bro. Israel Davis, Bro. Jim Bradley and Bro. Sam Wahneetah.

A report on Alcohol was given by Bro. Thomas Lambert. Bro. Thomas pointed to the down-falls that come with the use of alcoholic beverages and read the following scriptures: Proverbs 20:1, Habakkuk 2:15, Luke 1:15 and John 18:40. From 1966 to 1967 there were 258 arrests for public drunkeness and 55 for drunk driving. During the month of August there were 57 arrests for public drunkeness and 5 for drunk driving. Within the last 12 months there have been 7 murders, and in the last 30 months there have been 10 murders, plus all the beatings and wrecks.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the report given by Bro. Thomas. Carried.

A report on the Baptist Children's Homes was given by Bro. Starnes. Bro. Starnes expressed his gratitude for being here and reported that there are 800 boys and girls in 5 Baptist Homes, and that the Thanksgiving offering all goes to the care of the children. We have state wide foster homes service and there are two children from Cherokee in Baptist Homes. They are Jean Miller and Linda Fay Walkingstick.Both of these girls became Christians last summer.Bro. Starnes talked about the new Western North Carolina Children's Home. Its location is on Jones Cove Road in Waynesville. Fifty children will be cared for. There will be family-type living in 4 cottages on the campus, and he showed pictures of the campus. Bro. Starnes also said it is the desire of the convention to have a home for unwed mothers located in Asheville, hopefully by December. Now the Southern Baptists have 4 such homes. Two are in Texas, one is located in New Orleans, La. and one is in Atlanta, Georgia.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the report given by Bro. Starnes. Motion carried.

A discussion on Church Dicipline was led by Bro. Ed Welch. Others taking part in the discussion were: Bro. James Parris and Bro. Thomas Lambert.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. John David Arch.

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, OCT. 3, 1969

The meeting began with singing.

The Moderator announced the following change in the program. Church Music talk and the Baptist Hospital report will switch places. The Moderator appointed the following committees: Bro. Sam Wahneetah, Sunday School report and Bro. Israel Davis, Ordained Ministers.

The devotion was led by Bro. James Bradley who read and commented on the theme scripture, Matthew 15:8, and as his devotional scripture Ephesians 6:5-7. Prayer was led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Roll Call was next with 20 messengers present.

The Baptist Hospital report was read by Bro. Jesse Bailey.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to give Bro. Jesse Bailey time to give a report on Truett Camp. Motion carried.

Bro. Bailey talked about the camp and handed printed copies of the campus annual report and a copy of the financial report to all messengers.

After the report by Bro. Bailey, Bro. James Parris suggested that the messengers suggest to their churches that they send an extra amount of $2.00 to each Union meeting for Camp Truett.

Bro. James Parris led a discussion on the "Work of Pastors". He read from 1 Timothy 3:1. A pastor has work to do. Anyone who is lazy cannot be a good pastor. A Pastor is a shepherd one who takes care of the sheep.

A shepherd must FEED-LEAD-PROTECT. What kind of feeding should be done? God's Word. He must know how to teach and explain the word. 2 Timothy 2:15. Pastors must reach the hearts of men and they have to have the help of the Holy Spirit. A pastor must help with the ordinances of the church. How is a pastor to rule? Under the direction of the New Testament. A pastor also has a public duty to visit the sick and afflicted and those who are in sorrow.

While a song was sung an offering of $12.00 was received.

The message was delivered by Bro. Howard J. Ford who read for his scripture John 8:28-32 and 1 Timothy 3:14-16. Bro. Ford's text was the 15th verse. "The church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

A talk on Church Music was given by Lou Crowe.

The theme "Lip Service" applies just as much to singing as it does to anything else. "This people draweth night unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me." (Matt. 15:8) The saying, "Your actions speak so loud, I can't hear what you're saying" can also be said about singing if it is done out of the will of God. We are singing forth the gospel, therefore we need to be in the will of God. The people who were chosen for the first choir were consecrated to God. They were from among the sons of Levi Ex. 32:26; 1 Cor. 25:1-7; Even those who play instruments should be consecrated to the Lord. 2 Cor. 29:11,12, 15, 25, 33-36. Good spirit filled singing is like plowing the ground so that the seed (word) can be sown. If we have been given the talent to sing, we will one day

stand before God and give an account for the way we have used it.

After a song and fellowship handshake we adjourned for lunch with prayer by Bro. Ed Sharpe.

The afternoon session began with singing.

The devotion was led by Bro. Warren Crowe who read and commented on 2 Timothy 3:1-5 and made reference to 2 Timothy 1:15, 1 John 2:18 and 2 Timothy 4:3-7. Prayer was led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Roll Call was next with 20 messengers present.

The Obituary report was given by sister Winifred Scott. Life - John 5:25-29, John 6:27, 40,47. Death Luke 12:20, 35,37. These are the teachings and sayings of Jesus to guide us to happiness in this life and in the life to come. Heaven- Matthew 6:20 John 14:2. Hell- Matthew 18:9, Mark 9:47. In this life our physical nature compels us to be concerned about the health and well being of our children and the people around us. We make sure they have the proper food, the proper care and proper habits. But how does this apply to our spiritual concern? How concerned are we about even our OWN children and family? We make sure we get to the doctor for all kinds of shots to fight off all kinds of disease because we want our children to live long, happy, healthy lives on this earth. Do we get them in good condition spiritually and do we live a life that shows that we are concerned. What kind of "Lip-Service"? Our beloved dead are: Bethabara: Mr. Louis Locust, Mr. Wilbur Allison, Mr. Jim McCoy.

Big Witch: Mr. Jonah Wolfe. Cherokee: Mrs. Liza Jane Bradley, Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Mr. Melvin Cheek, Mrs. Edna Walkingstick, Mrs. Sarah Wolfe. Macedonia: Mrs. Emma Powell, Mr. John Burgess, Mr. Claude Parker, Deacon Nolan Queen. Rock Springs: Mrs. Savannah Bigwitch, Mrs. Sally Conley, Mr. Henry Bradley, Mr. Alfred Walkingstick. Sequoyah: Mr. David Armachain. Straightfork: Mrs. Lizzie Sequoyah, Mr. Richard Money. Waterfalls: Deacon Marshall Wilnoty. Yellow Hill: Mrs. Dahney Owle, Mrs. Ella West, Mr. Thompson Conseen. Zion Hill: Mr. Henry Jumper.

The Sunday School report was given by Bro. Sam Wahnetah and Bro. Howard J. Ford.

The Missionary report was given by Bro. Ike Jackson. He reports that he has conducted 87 services with 21 saved, 60 rededications. Visited in 32 homes, hospitals 8 times. There were 84 saved on the reservation this year. Two churches are inactive.

A report on Baptist Colleges was given by Bro. Lamb. He reports that we have 7 Baptist supported schools, and that Gardner-Webb will become a senior college next year. There are scholarships and help for young people who wish to go into special fields of service and he encouraged us to send our young people to Christian Colleges.

The ordained Ministers report was given by Bro. Israel Davis. He reported the following ministers in our Association: Total 20 ordained ministers.

Bethabara: Dewitt Owle, Thomas Lambert, Fred Roland.
Big Cove: James Parris.
Bigwitch: Joe Bradley, Nick Bradley
Cherokee: Ed Sharpe

Little Snowbird: Ed Jumper.
Macedonia: Enoch Owle, Sam Queen.
Rock Springs: Dock Smith
Sequoyah: Martin Smith, Dan Lambert*
Straight Fork: Abe Lossiah
Waterfalls: John Walkingstick
Wright's Creek: Stanley Ogle*
Yellow Hill: Leonard Lambert, Roland Whitaker*
Zion Hill: Ike Jackson

(* indicates Pastors who are members in another association)

After some discussion and changes in the Ordained ministers report, A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt all reports given this morning and this afternoon. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Ed Wlech, Bro. Albert Crowe, Bro. Sam Wahnetah and Bro. Dan Scott from tomorrows meeting. Carried.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. Roy French.

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, October 4, 1969

The meeting began with singing.

In the absence of Bro. Oliver Smith, who was on the program, the devotion was led by Bro. John David Arch who read and commented on Matthew 13:7 and 22. Prayer was led by Bro. Israel Davis.

Roll Call was next with 21 messengers present.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to seat Bro. and Mrs. Russell Bradley as messengers from Bethabara for today. Motion carried.

Songs and testimonies were next. Those testifying were: Sis. Molly Seqyoyah, Bro. Glen Reed, Bro, Israel Davis, Sis. Carrie Scott, Sis. Katie Davis, Bro. John A. Crowe, Bro. Russell Bradley, Sis. Hettie Smoker and Sis. Margaret Davis.

The moderator read from Romans 10:11 and said "If we truly have been redeemed we will want to testify and will not be ashamed to stand for the Lord.

The mornings message was brought by Bro. Roland Whitaker, who read for his scripture Matthew 15:1-9. "We have a lot of people in our churches who are only giving lip-service. These people are afraid to stand up in battle, they let you down when hard times come. We need heart-service when it comes from the heart, it will make you attend the service of the Lord and it will give you an appetite for the gospel. Our heart will be close to God. Heart-felt service will cause us to have a vision for the community the Church and the lost.

At the conclusion of the message Bro. Whitaker asked for a show of hands from those who wished to go back to the old paths and walk in them - A prayer of dedication was led by Bro. Whitaker.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned for lunch with prayer by Bro. Dewitt Owle.

The afternoon session began with singing.

Devotion was led by Bro. Dan Scott who read and commented on Romans 11:13, chap. 12 and 13:1. Prayer was led by Bro. Scott.

Roll Call was next with 21 messengers present.

Time & Place Committee: The next Association will be held at Yellow Hill Baptist Church, October 1,2,3, 1970.

Finance report: Paid out this year: $125.00 missionary. $15.00 - Clerk, Printing - $19.29. Flowers - $6.18. Balance left on hand - $365.44. Received at this meeting, $141.00. Total $506.44. Budget for the coming year: Missionary - $125.00, Clerk $15.00 and amount required for printing.

Bro. James Parris extended an invitation to this Association from the Indian Association in Oklahoma which is held Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in September.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that the Moderator appoint two representatives, one from Bethabara and one from Yellow Hill, to serve on the Policy Advisory committee of the Cherokee Baptist Child Care Center, in replacement of Bro. Gene Crowe and Bro. Ruble Dunlap. carried.

The Moderator appointed Bro. Walter Lambert from Bethabara and Sis. Lou Crowe from Yellow Hill.

Bro. John David Arch announced that he had prayed about accepting the work of Associational Missionary and he felt that the Lord was leading him to accept.

A motion was made and sustained by a second that a letter be written to Yellow Hill, signed by the Moderator, requesting the ordination of Bro. John David. Carried.

Bro. Parris explained the duties of the Associational Missionary to Bro. John David, and he suggested that if Bro. John should be led to pastor a church during the year, that the Union Meeting be authorized to elect another Missionary.

The Association voted unanimously to give the Union Meeting this authority.

It was suggested that this Association make it's own Associational church letter forms. These forms will be designed to meet the needs of the churches here and will be shorter and simpler than those sent by the State Convention.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the suggestion and that the Moderator appoint three people to make these forms. Carried.

The Moderator said that he would serve on this committee and he appointed Bro. John A. Crowe and Bro. James Parris.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adjourn this Association. Motion Carried.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Bro. John David Arch.

Bro. Dewitt Owle, Mod.
Sister Lou Crowe, Clerk

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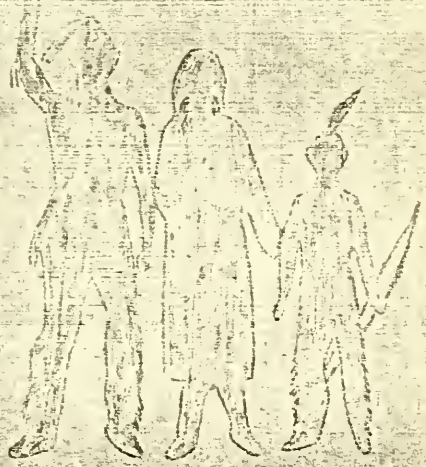

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CHEROKEE INDIAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Enoch Owle, Moderator.....Cherokee, N. C.

Bro. Ike Jackson, Asst. Modt..Robbinsville, N.C.

Sister Lou Crowe, Clerk.....Cherokee, N.C.

Sister Katie Davis, Treas.....Cherokee, N.C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Bro. Ike Jackson.....Robbinsville, N.C.

Bro. James M. Parris.....Cherokee, N.C.

COMMITTEES

TIME & PLACE: Bro. Israel Davis
Bro. James Bradley
Bro. Buck West

FINANCE: Sis. Katie Davis
Sis.Margaret Davis
Bro. James Parris

MESSENGERS

Bethabara: No Messengers
Big Cove: Sis. Viola French, Sis. Katie Davis, Bro. Buck West, Bro. James Parris.
Big Witch: Bro. Warren Crowe, Bro. Glen Reed, Bro. Sequoyah Driver, Bro. Joe Crowe, Sis. Lillian Crowe.
Boiling Springs: No Messengers
Cherokee: Bro. Roy Cantrell, Bro. Milton Smith, Bro. Cain Saunooke, Bro. Oliver Smith.
Echota: No Messengers
Little Snowbird: No Messengers
Macedonia: Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Jackson George, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Walter Jackson, Sis. Sally Hornbuckle, Sis. Mary Blythe, Sis. Mary Littlejohn, Bro. Wayne Hornbuckle.
Piney Grove: No Messengers.
Rock Hill: No Messengers.
Rock Springs: Sis. Cecelia Taylor, Sis. Arnessa Maney, Bro. John Maney, Bro. James Bradley.
Sequoyah: Bro. Dan Scott, Sis. Winifred Scott.
Straight Fork: Sis. Molly Sequoyah, Sis. Emmaline Driver, Bro. George Driver.
Waterfalls: Bro. Ed Welch, Bro. John Driver.
Wrights Creek: Bro. Russel Hornbuckle, Bro. Stanley Ogle, Bro. Hartman Hornbuckle, Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle.
Yellow Hill: Sis. Margaret Davis, Bro. John Jessan.
Zion Hill: Bro. Ike Jackson, Sis. Hettie Smoker.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethern invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion and second.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No speaker shall speak more than twice on the subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the association.
8. The association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. and close at 3:00 p.m.

CONSTITUTION

Article I.....This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II....The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishments of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

Article III..This association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body.

Article IV...The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment: also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each annual session to pay the expenses of the association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for two years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the association.

Article V....The officers of the association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionary.

Article VI...It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum appoint committees, decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject of discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII..It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Article IX...Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers.

Article X....The association may invite visiting brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

Article XI...The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as the association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article XII..All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

Article XIII.We will receive no ministers into this association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Elect Executive committee and Missionary.
5. Denomination Sermon.
6. Hear report of committees.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for treasurer's report.
10. Miscelleaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS
THE NINTYETH ANNUAL SESSION
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Yellow Hill Baptist Church, Oct. 1,2,3, 1970

The service began with singing led by Bro. James Parris.

The assistant moderator, Bro. Buck West opened the session by reading John 15:5.

The devotion was led by Bro. Israel Davis who read and commented on John 14:1-6. The same passage was read in Cherokee by Bro. Ike Jackson. Prayer was led by Bro. Israel.

The letters from 11 churches were read with 26 messengers answering roll call.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the letters and seat the messengers. Motion carried.

The election of officers was next. Nominated for Moderator were Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle and Bro. Enoch Owle. A motion was made and sustained by a second that nominations cease. Bro. Enoch Owle was elected by a unanimous vote.

Nominations for Assistant Moderator were next. Bro. Ike Jackson was nominated after which a motion was made and sustained by a second that nominations cease. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to retain sister Lou Crowe as clerk. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to retain Sister Katie Davis as treasurer. Motion carried.

Bro. Sanders McLemore and family and Sister Carrie Scott who were visitors from Oklahoma, were introduced.

The moderator appointed the following time and place committee: Bro. Israel Davis, Bro. James Bradley, and Bro. Buck West.

Finance Committee: Sister Katie Davis, Sister Margaret Davis and Bro. James Parris.

While a song was sung an offering of $14.62 was received.

After a verse of "Amazing Grace" altar prayer was led by Bro. Stanley Ogle.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Jarrett Blythe this afternoon to go to the doctor and Bro. Stanley Ogle tomorrow to conduct a funeral. Motion carried.

The morning message was delivered by Bro. Roy Cantrell who read for his scripture Luke 19:1-10. Theme: Why did Zacchaeus want to see Jesus? We might imagine that in his tax collecting that Zacceaus had met the man with leprosy and he told him how that Jesus had cleansed him, or perhaps that Zaccaeus had met the blind man who had been blind since birth as he was collecting taxes, and the man, who could now see, began to tell how that Jesus had made clay from spittle and annoited his eyes and after washing in the pool, he came forth seeing. Maybe Zacceaus had seen the man

God's children need to be disciplined. God doesn't want any imitations, He wants a real Christian. A born again child. We will do things to please God and we can't please God unless we are geniune Christians. Criticism is the fault of our churches. Where is our Christian love? For two thousand years we have been talking about Christianity. Where are our actions? We just have a "big mouth", "long tongue", "wide open eyes and big ears". We never let our Christianty show, it's just talk. We are always looking and listening for some one else's faults and then we start criticizing, Bro. McLemore referred to 1 John 3:4-11. Let us commit our whole being to God. He doesn't want just part of us.

B. Public offense..Bro. Ed Welch.
Bro. Ed read Matthew 5:23-25. When we harbor hard feelings within us the power of God is lost. Public offense need to be brought before the church and dealth with. Romans 16:17,18. It is hard to go to anyone, but we need to stand on the word of God. We will also get a lot of hard knocks when we do.

C. Doctrinal Offense...Bro. James Parris.
Romans 16:7-18, Titus 3:1-11. If a man doesn't believe the word of God he is a false prophet. To be rejected! One who says that a baby can be sprinkled is a heretich and if he thinks one can be prayed out of Hell he is a heretich. If a preacher is living for the devil the church needs to take his license, also if he is preaching galse doctrine. Letters cannot be granted to join another denomination.

who was lame and he had told him how that his neighbors had carried him to where Jesus was and let him down through the roof and Jesus healed him and he went walking away. These may be reasons that Zaccaeus wanted to see Jesus. A reminder to us---All around us there are people who are blind and can't see what Jesus can do for them. They are lame with sin. Their lives are twisted and bent in sin..they are unclean with sin sickness, much worse than leprosy! We need to witness to them and let them see that Jesus can cleanse them whiter than snow. We need to let them see something in our lives that will make them want to see Jesus!

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing and opening remarks by the moderator, followed by special singing by Bro. and Sister McLemore.

The devotion was led by Bro. John Maney. Bro. John expressed his joy in being here and being a Christian. Prayer was led by Bro. John Driver. Bro. Maney read for his scripture Acts 4:10-14, commenting on the scripture read.

Roll call was next with 22 messengers present.

Bro. John Hyatt spoke on Juvenile Delinquency,

Discussion: Church Discipline.

A. Personal Offense..Bro. Sanders McLemore. ...To often we think that we're adults and don't need discipline. Bro. McLemore read Job 36:10.11.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

After closing remarks and announcements, a song was sung and the meeting closed with prayer by Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPT. ASSOC.
YELLOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
October 2, 1970

The service began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson. Prayer was led by Bro. James Parris.

Devotion was led by Bro. Jarret Blythe who expressed his thankfulness for the strength to be here. Bro. Jarrett read 1 Cor. 3:10-11 and asked, "How are we building on this foundation? Just look at our churches today. We say that we love God, but when we look at our churches, it makes a person wonder. We have a good foundation, but we don't care how we are building. One day we will stand and give an account to God as to how we build. Prayer was led by Bro. Dock Smith.

Roll call was next with 25 messengers present.

OBITUARY REPORT..Bro. James Parris.
Big Cove: Sister Nellie McGillis, Bro. Mose Welch.
Big Witch: Bro. Julius Wilnoty.
Bethabara: None
Boiling Springs: None
Cherokee: None
Echota: None, Little Snowbird: None.
Macedonia: Bro. Jasper Queen.

OBITUARY REPORT cont.
Piney Grove: none
Rock Hill: None
Rock Springs: Bro. Emerson Bird. Bro. Willie Wayne Arch.
Sequoyah: None
Straight Fork: Sis. Lizzie Sequoyah, Bro. John Lossiah, Bro. Jerry Long.
Waterfalls: Bro. Ned Littlejohn.
Wrights Creek: None
Yellow Hill: Bro. David Saloli
Zion Hill: None.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the obituary report. Motion carried.

Since all the alloted time for the obituary report was not used, a motion was made and sustained by a second to let Bro. Broome, representative from the cooperative program, speak. Motion carried.

Bro. Broome spoke to us briefly about the cooperative program and our giving to it.

TRAINING UNION REPORT..Bro. James Bradley.
II Timothy 2:15, Proverbs 22:6.
The aim of the Training Union is to train its church membership. The church should teach Christians how to live and how to serve others. The training that the church gives must be practical, helping the members face their daily problems. The Christian church must train its members to understand the world of today. The real Christian faith. The church should help its members to understand Christian laws and how to be guided by these laws. Members need training in ways they can worship and how to

work together. Christians also need training in the art of witnessing. Churches need to teach their members how to witness for Christ in their daily lives. The prupose of training union - It is training how to live and how to serve in today's world. This training - there is no quick or easy way. Some church members need different kinds of teaching. Also the training union has the task of training or teaching volunteer church leaders and teachers When is Training Union doing a good job? (1) When it has an effective plan for teaching and training. (2) When members are willing to work hard at the job of learning. (3) When the members look to the Holy Spirit as their guide and help.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the training union report. Motion carried.

While a song was sung an offering of $13.72 was received.

Prayer was led by Bro. Sanders McLemore.

The morning message was delivered by Bro. Ike Jackson, speaking in both English and Cherokee. He read for his scripture John 15:1-6. "I am the Vine". There are a lot of branches on the vine, some are good and some are bad. The good ones are left, but the bad ones are done away with. Every Christian has a lot of vines too, and they are both good and bad. If we will bear a little more fruit. But we must abide in the true vine. If we want to have power in our life we will have to come out from among

the world. We can't serve two masters. We will love one and hate the other. Bro. Ike closed his message with an invitation.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to excuse Bro. Buck West and Bro. John Jessan this afternoon. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned for lunch with prayer by Bro. Glen Reed.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. James Parris.

The devotion was led by Bro. Dock Smith who read and commented on Ephesians 2:8-10. "Too many are trying to get by on good works, but unless we truly know Christ as our personal Saviour, our works won't mean a thing." Prayer was led by Bro. Dan Scott.

Roll call was next with 22 messengers present.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to let Bro. Lamb and Bro. Jesse Bailey speak five minutes each. Motion carried.

Bro. Lamb from Gardner-Webb College spoke on behalf of that school and all Baptist Colleges. He read Proverbs 3:13-18 and Proverbs 1:7.

Bro. Bailey spoke on behalf of Truett Camp and distributed a written annual report to all the messengers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT: Bro. Bill Craig.
The following is a report of Sunday School enrollment of churches of this association.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT cont.

BETHABARA.....No report
BIG COVE.....108
CHEROKEE.....156
ECHOTA.....INACTIVE
MACEDONIA.....100
PINEY GROVE.....NO REPORT
ROCK SPRINGS.....84
ROCK HILL.....NO REPORT
SEQUOYAH.....16
STRAIGHT FROK.....75
WIRHGTS CREEK.....37
YELLOW HILL.....82
ZION HILL.....58
WATERFALLS.....39
LITTLE SNOWBIRD.....NO REPORT
BOILING SPRINGS.....INACTIVE
BIG WITCH.....49
TOTAL.....804

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the Sunday School report. Motion Carried.

ORDAINED MINISTERS REPORT: Bro. Enoch Owle. Ordained ministers of this association are: Rev. James Parris, Rev. Stanley Ogle, Rev. Roy Cantrell, Rev. Fred Rowland, Rev. Dock Smith, Rev. Abel Lossiah, Rev. John Walkingstick, Rev. Sheppard Squirrel, Rev. Nick Bradley, Rev. Arthur Locust, Rev. Solomon Queen, Rev. Thomas Lambert, Rev. Sam Queen, Rev. Dewitt Owle, Rev. Willie Owle, Rev. Enoch Owle, Rev. Ike Jackson, Rev. Ed Jumper, Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Rev. Goliath George, Rev. Robert Bushyhead, Rev. Leonard Lambert, Rev. Dewesse Bradley. TOTAL - 23 ordained ministers.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the report after the names of Sam Walkingstick, Joe Bradley and Martin Smith were dropped and the name of Rev. Leonard Lambert was added. Motion carried.

The following topics were discussed:

TITHING.....Bro. Dan Scott.

CHRISTIAN HOME LIFE..Sister Martha Smith.

CHRISTIAN FATHERS...Bro. Glen Reed.

DEACONS DUTIES...Bro. Gene Crowe.

CHURCH LITERATURE...Bro. James Parris.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. Jarrett Blythe.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOC.
YELLOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
October 3, 1970.

The service began with singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson. Prayer was led by Bro. James Parris.

The devotion was led by Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle, who read Matthew 1:21. Jesus needs

to be preached in our churches., and whosoever will may come. Let's get Jesus in our hearts, He is the only one who can save us from our sins.

Roll Call was next with 27 messengers present.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to exucse Sister Cecelia Taylor today and Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle this afternoon. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to give Bro. Sanders McLemore a love offering of $30.00. Motion carried.

Special Music was next by Bro. Dan and Sister Winnie Scott. While they sung the first song an offering of $22.59 was received.

A congregational song was next led by Bro. James Parris and then after one verse of "Amazing Grace" alter prayer was led by Bro. Wayne Hornbuckle.

The morning message was delivered by Bro. Robert Christopher who read for his scripture II Cornithians 3:1-5 and taking verse 2 as his text. Our lives are open books, we are either giving a positive or negative testimony for Christ. What kind of sermon is our life preaching? What does the world read in our daily life? Too many are letting the sin of (1) INGRAITUDE - robs us of the joy we should have and make our testimony ineffective. God needs to be praised in all things. Even in the time of trouble. He needs to be praised for His greatness, His goodness, His grace.

(2) INDIFFERENCE..Indifference to worship. Our worship has become a habit. If we become indifferent to worship we become indifferent to the word, and then indifferent to lost souls. Let's not be a thief in the worship. Let us not rob God of His rightful place in the worship. Love His word and seek His will and then go out into the world and seek the lost. (3) INCONSISTENCY. Do we really practice what we preach? Lost men see what we do more than what we say. Bro. Christopher closed his message with an invitation for all of us to examine our heartstand if any of these sins are there, that we will put them under the forgiving grace of Jesus. Let us seek His help for our lives.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing.

The devotion was led by Bro. Arch Miller who read Revelation 22:11-13. Prayer was led by Bro. John David Arch. Bro. Miller then referred to Proverbs 24:2, Isaiah 40:10, Jerimah 17:10 and Matthew 16:27,28. All we do should be done for the glory of God. We will be rewarded for the things we do for the Lord.

Roll Call was next with 25 messengers present.

TIME & PLACE REPORT.
The next Associational meeting will be held at Big Cove Baptist Church, September 30, October 1,2, 1971.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the time and place. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT..Bro. James Parris.

Balance from last meeting.....	$407.94
Receipts at this mtg.....	160.93
Offering.....	50.93

Paid out this year

Missionary.....	$125.00
Clerk.....	15.00
Printing & supplies.....	20.02
Bro. Sanders McLemore.....	30.00

TOTAL MONEY ON HAND.....	$538.87

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR COMING YEAR.

Missionary.....	$125.00
Clerk.....	15.00
Miscellaneous.....	20.00

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the finance report. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to hear the Associational Missionary's report. Motion carried.

Bro. John David Arch expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve as missionary and for the encouragement that was given to him from his Christian brothers.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the missionaries report. Motion carried.

A roll call of churches was made to determine the number of associational missionaries their church wished to have. Seven churches wished to have two missionaries, one church wished to have one, two churches said that they had no discussion on the matter and seven churches were not represented.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to elect two Association Missionaries. One who could speak in Cherokee and one English speaking preacher. Motion carried.

All the Cherokee speaking preachers were named and after discussion the floor was open for nominations for Cherokee speaking Missionary.

Bro. Ike Jackson was nominated after which a motion was made and sustained by a second to cease nominations. Motion carried.

The floor was then opened for nominations for an English speaking Missionary.

Bro. Dock Smith was nominated after which a motion was made and sustained by a second to cease nominations. Motion carried.

It was decided to give Bro. Dock until the next Union Meeting in November to decide whether or not to accept.

A roll call of churches was made to determine what each one had decided about the reservation revival building after which it was decided by a motion and second to let this discussion be delayed until the next Union Meeting, in order to give some of the churches more time to discuss it and decide what they would like to do.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to express appreciation to the ladies of Yellow Hill and all the other ladies for the fine lunches during this association. Motion carried.

Bro. Ike Jackson announced that an executive committee meeting would be held in the near future..

Bro. Parris suggested that if any clerks had anything to add to the associational letters for next year, to please let him know.

The minutes of the day were called for and read.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to close the business part of the meeting. Motion carried.

After a song and fellowship handshake the meeting closed with prayer by Bro. Stanley Ogle.

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

Held with

BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH

September 30, October 1, 2, 1971

Cherokee, N.C.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
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NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Cherokee, N.C.

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Bro. Ike Jackson, Asst. Moderator.Robinsville
Sis. Katie Davis, Clerk.....Cherokee,N.C.
Sis. Carie Robinson, Treasurer....Cherokee,N.C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Bro. Deweese Bradley.....Cherokee,N.C.
Bro. John Driver.....Cherokee,N.C.

COMMITTEES

TIME & PLACE: Bro. Glen Reed
Sis. Margaret Davis
Sis Juanita Owl

FINANCE: Bro. Tom Wachacha
Sis. Carie Robinson
Sis. Katie Davis

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Bro. Israel Davis, Asst.Moderator..Cherokee
Bro. John Standingdeer, Treas...Cherokee, N.C.
Bro. James "Bo" Parris, Clerk...Cherokee, N.C.

Big Cove.....James Parris, Bro. Buck West, Sister Katie Davis.

Big Witch....Bro. Glen Reed, Sis. Lillian Crowe, Sis. Carolyn George.

Cherokee.....Bro. Robert Christopher, Sis. Georgia Blankenship, Sis. Juanita Owl, Sis. Emily Walkingstick, Bro. Mike Walkingstick.

Macedonia....Sis. Sally Hornbuckle, Sis. Mary Jo. Littlejohn, Sis. Minda Reed, Bro. Russell Goerge, Sis. Rachel George.

Rock Springs..Sis. Carie Robinson, Sis. Ruth Smith, Sis. Claudia Seay, Sis. Martha Smith, Sis. Cecelia Taylor, Bro. Milton Smith.

Straightfork. Sis. Emmaline Driver, Bro. George Driver, Bro. McKinley Swimmer.

Waterfalls...Bro. Deweese Bradley, Bro. John Driver.

Wrights Creek..Bro. Albert Crowe, Bro. Gilbert Crowe.

Yellow Hill..Bro. John Jessan, Sis. Katie Jessan, Bro. Isreal Davis, Sis. Margaret Davis, Bro. Bill Craig, Bro. Jack Powell.

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH
September 30, October 1, 2, 1971

The service began with singing led by Bro. John Driver. Motion made and seconded for moderator to appoint a temporary clerk. Carried. Moderator appointed Bro. Bo Parris as temporary clerk.

Ephesians 2:8-10 was read in English by Bro. Buck West and in Cherokee by Bro. Ike Jackson. Bro. West commented on the passage. Reading also Hebrews 11:1. Alter prayer was led by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Letters were read from the ten churches with 27 messengers present. The ten churches brought in ten dollars each of total of $100. Motion made and sustained by a second to approve the letters seat the messengers. Motion carried.

Motion and second to elect officers. Nominations for moderator were: Bro. Bo Parris and Bro. Ike Jackson. Motion made and sustained by a second that nominations cease. Motion carried. Bro. Bo Parris was elected. Ike Jackson was elected Assistant Moderator and Interpreter. Sister Carie Robinson was elected treasurer and Sister Katie Davis, clerk.

Visitors who were reconized were Jim Cook, Carrie Scott and Calvin Knight. Mr. Knight from the Baptist State Hospital was given five minutes to speak.

Rev. Luther Osment delivered the message at 11:00 a.m. in place of Bro. Bo Parris. The scripture taken from Mark 10:45 and John 15:20.

Preaching on John the Baptist. Why did people come to hear John the Baptist?

Meeting adjourned for lunch for 30 minutes. Motion and second to adjourn today's meeting at 1:30 in order to help with the funeral at Cherokee. Carried.

After lunch - Song service led by Ike Jackson. Devotion was given by Bro. Ed Welch from II Corinthians 12:9. Prayer led by Bro. Dock Smith.

Motion made and sustained by a second to excuse Emmanline Driver. Motion made and sustained by a second to excuse Ike Jackson to attend night revival at Straightfork.

Moderator appointed committees:

1. Time and Place - Sister Margaret Davis, Sister Juanita Owle and Bro. Glen Reed.
2. Temperance report - Bro. Bill Craig.
3. Sunday School report - Bro. Glen Reed.
4. Training Union - Bro. Roy Cantrell.
5. Evangelism - Bro. Israel Davis.
6. Obituary report - Sis. Claudia Seay.
7. Ordained Ministers - Bro. Ike Jackson.
8. Finance - Sis. Carie Robinson, Sister Katie Davis, Bro. Tom Wachacha.

Motion made and sustained by a second to read Sequoyah's church letter. Carried. Motion made and sustained by a second to give Bro. Osment time to speak on his experience relating to the letter from Sequoyah church. Motion carried. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Bro. Roy Cantrell. 1:30 p.m.

Temperance report given by Bill Craig before Thursday night service. What does Temperance mean? Self-control or self-denial. Using I Thessalonians 5:4-10 as reference comparing the Darkness of sin and the light of Christ. That we the people of the Universe should be as God would have us to be and not as the lust of glesh and pride of eye would be. That we should be as of the day. Watching, sober, having faith and Love and Hope that we might be able to gloryify God in our deeds and actions.

Preaching by Josh Davis from Oklahoma. Love Offering taken for Josh. $41.00. Fellowship handshake and closed with prayer.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 1, 1971

The meeting opened with two songs. Roll Call with 29 messengers present. Devotion led by Jim Bradley - Romans 3:24. About Faith and Grace and spoke on John 3:16, Ephesian 1:7 and Hebres 4:16.

Prayer by Bro. Dock Smith. Motion was made and sustained by a second to give visitors five minutes to speak but not to vote. Carried.

OBITUARY REPORT by Sister Claudia Seay. Big Cove - Mark Welch. Bethabara - no report. BigWitch - none. Boiling Spring - inactive. Cherokee - Bro. Johnson Owle, Bro. Cain Saunooke Bro. Manuel Smith and Sis. Lizzie Smith. Echota - inactive. Macedonia - Walter Jackson. Little Snowbird - no report. Piney Grove - no report. Rocky Hill- no report. WaterFalls- none. StraightFork - Bro. Wade Driver. Yellow Hill- Sis. Sallie Shell. Zion Hill - Bro. Wesley Jackson, Sis. Mary Reed,

OBITUARY REPORT CONT.

Rock Springs - Bro. Don Haigler. Wright's Creek - none. Motion made and sustained by a second to approve this report. Motion carried.

MISSIONARIES REPORT.

1. By Ike Jackson - visited 35 homes, 11 churches. Preached 4 sermons. Fifty rededications. Ten saved. Still in revivals.

2. Bo Parris report. 101 sermons, 4 revivals, 34 home visits, 29 hospital vists, 1 VBS and helped in one, 8 funerals, 10 set ups, 10 conferences, 5 professions of faith, 8 Baptisms, 12 visited churches, 1 ordination service, 1 study course.

Motion and second to accept their reports. Motion carried.

ORDAINED MINISTERS REPORT, by Ike Jackson. Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Nick Bradley, Bro. Joe Bradley, Bro. Ike Jackson, Bro. John Walkingstick, Bro. James M. Parris, Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle, Bro. Goliath George, Bro. Roy Cantrell, Bro. Dale E. Banks, Bro. Lenard Lambert, Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Robert Christopher, Bro. Ed Sharpe, Bro. Sheppard Squirrell, Bro. Deweese Bradley, Bro. Johnnie Driver, Bro. Sam Queen, and Bro. Solmon Queen. Motion was made and sustained by a second to accept this report. Motion carried.

A committee was appointed to go and visit the Sequoyah, Rock Hill, Piney Grove and Bethabara Churches and requested the churches to pray for these churches. The committee is: Dock Smith, Bo Parris, Clifford Hornbuckle and Ike Jackson.

The sermon was delivered by Clifford Hornbuckle. His scripture was from I Kings 10:1-7.

A song was sung and offering received $15.18.

Adjourned for lunch for 1 hour.

The afternoon session began with singing led by John Driver. Devotion by Isreal Davis from Titus 2:11-15. Teach your children about Jesus and put the fear of the Lord into your hearts.

Roll Call and 25 messengers.

Training Union report by Bro. Roy Cantrell. We find two churches haveing Training Union, Rock Springs and Cherokee. Church Training is a way of doing, helping hcurch people, babes in Christ grow toward manhood. We need some matured Christians to do the Lord's work. Church Training should do for church people what Boy's Club has done for the people here. Josh Davis also made his report on his experience with training union. Sister Carie Robinson and Sister Martha Smith members from Rock Springs made good comments on their training union.

Sunday School report by Tom Wachacha. The classes are needing children or young people. We are doing lot of talking and doing nothing about it, Ten churches brought letters showing 787 in class.

Motion was made and sustained by a second to approve these two reports. Motion carried. Motion was made and sustained by a second to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 2, 1971

The morning service began with singing led by Bro. John G. Driver.

Morning devotion was brought by Bro. Dock Smith reading from Titus 3:4-7. He told us he did not own any property, and asked to be given only a place of burial. That being justified by His grace we whould be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. Prayer was led by Bro. Buck West.

Roll Call next with 23 messengers present.

Time and Place report. The next annual Associational meeting will be held at Rock Springs Baptist Church.

Bro. Deweese Bradley and Bro. John Driver were chosen as our two missionary workers. One was asked to encourage Sunday School in the churches where there wasn't any.

Training Union - if any church wanted to start training union they were to call Bro. Jim Bradley for any help they needed.

Sunday School Convention. Bro. Warren Crowe our last Sunday School Convention moderator is willing to take up where it left off and began working with it again. Moderator would like to get the executive committee together to discuss the Sunday School Convnetion being held at night. Association Wide Revival - to bring up with all churches. We need to get a place for a large building, where a large group can come together once or twice a year. Through prayer this can be done.

Return fifteen minutes before 1:00 p.m. from lunch.

Motion made and sustained by a second to excuse Sis. Martha Smith to go home. Motion carried.

A song was sung and an offering lf $22.56 was taken up.

Special singing by the Yellow Hill Choir before preaching. John David Arch testified over one of the songs.

How good God is - by Josh Davis. So many times people sing without Christ in their hearts. Bro. Josh called the song, "I would not be denied." His scripture was taken from Hebrews 11:23-25 and Exodus 2:1. Moses saw a hard road to travel just as we do today. Lots of the people today have big jobs, but they do not have the peace we can only find in Jesus Christ. In order to stay close to Christ we have to suffer our afflications, to teach our children and we need to search the scriptures. During his preaching he pointed the scripture Romans 14:11 to you and I. He then led prayer and the invitation was given with a song. Another song was sung while fellowship hand shake took place. A love offering of $45.81 was taken up for Josh Davis.

Afternoon opened with devotion by Bro. McKinley Swimmer. His scripture was taken from II Corinthians 13:14; 8:9-10. He commented on these and also John 3:16. The greatest love He shows to us.

Roll Call with 23 messengers present.

FINANCE REPORT by Sis. Carie Robinson.

Balance from last meeting.....	$368.38
Church fees received from this meeting.....	$100.00
Offerings.....	$ 57.50
Total.....	$525.88

Paid out this year:	
Missionary Ike Jackson.....	$125.00
Cherokee Florist Flowers for Chief Walter Jackson.....	$ 10.30
Printing & Supplies (Cherokee Baptist Church).....	$ 9.91
Missionary clerk.....	$ 15.00
Total.....	$150.21

Money on hand to date.....$375.67

Proposed budget for coming year:

Missionaries.....	$200.00
Clerk.....	15.00
Miscelleanous.....	20.00

Motion made and sustained by a second to approve the finance report. Motion carried.

Union Meeting at the end of this month will be held at Zion Hill, Robbinsville, N.C.

Approved by the churches to pay Bro. Bo Parris for his missionary work for the year - $50.00.

Motion made and sustained by a second to approve and correct the reading of the minutes.

Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to close the business part of the meeting. Motion carried.

Closed and ajourned with prayer.

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Associational Missionaries

Bro. Roy French----------Cherokee, N.C.
Bro. Robert Christopher----------Cherokee, N.C.

Committees

TIME & PLACE: Tom Wachacha
Ed Welch
Dale Banks

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The meeting opened with singing and prayer. Bro. Frank Taylor took as the scripture for devotions, 1 Kings 18:21.

Roll call and reading of letters followed, with fourteen churches represented.

The morning offering was taken, totaling $19.85.

Messengers were seated, officers elected, and committees appointed. It was moved and sustained by a second to retain the Rev. James Parris, as moderator, while Bro. Israel Davis became Vice-Moderator and Interpreter. Ruth Smith was elected clerk, and Carie Robinson was retained as treasurer.

The moderator appointed Mason Ledford, Mike Walkingstick , and John Standingdeer as finance committee.

The Time and Place Committee consists of Ed Welch, Dale Banks, and Tom Wachacha. Another committee was selected to recommend an associational missionary. Nick Bradley, Dock Smith, and Warren Crowe served on this committee. The Rev. Dock Smith preached a most inspirational sermon, taking his text from Romans 1:15,16.

After prayer, a recess was called for lunch.

The afternoon session opened with a song service, in Cherokee and English.

Bro. Buck West used Joshua 24:14,15 for his devotions.

The roll was called, and seven visitors were recognized, and granted all privileges, except that of voting.

The reports from various committees were received.

WMU report by Emily Walkingstick. Help is offered to any church interested in establishing a WMU unit in their church. A question period followed. Motion and second to accept report.

Sunday Schools and Training Union report by Dillard Maney. Attendance averages 130-140, with 879 enrolled in all the churches. Young people from the Mission held services in campgrounds this summer, with an average of 125 attending at the seven or eight campgrounds served. Only one church, Rock Springs, has a Training Union at the present time, with an enrollment of 63. The Mission plans to resume Training Union classes October 1. The young people of the church studied the book of Revelation, taught by the Rev. Robert Christopher and the Rev. James Parris. Report accepted.

Solomon Queen discoursed on Temperance, and read from Romans 6:21,22. Remarks on the liquor problem were made, with the Rev. Parris recommending as one remedy, care in voting. Dillard Maney suggested Harold Winkler as a speaker to explain remedial works on alcoholism. Report accepted.

Dillard Maney substituted for the Rev. Roy Cantrell, to give the Evangelism report. There have been 76 baptisms in all 17 churches. Moved and sustained by a second to accept this report.

Warren Crowe submitted the following Obituary report. Six churches lost members by death, with 15 deaths in all, including 1 preacher, and 1 deacon. Those called were:

Rock Springs: Jimmy Welch, Judson Bradley, Tom Tolley.

Wright's Creek: Simon Thompson.

Zion Hill: Ike Jackson, Nancy Ledford.

Cherokee Mission: Harry McMahan, Ted Maney, Dewey Tahquette.

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Obituary Report continued:

Macedonia: Ollie Owle, Tom Owle.
Yellow Hill: Will Catt, Lawrence Johnson, Kenneth Screamer, Richard Bushyhead.

Motion made and sustained by a second to accept this report.

The Rev. Dock Smith reported nineteen ordained ministers in all churches. These include: John Walkingstick, Enoch Owle, Goliath George, Deweese Bradley, John Driver, Otis Williams, Nick Bradley, Dale Banks, Roy Cantrell, Robert Christopher, James Ed Sharpe, Ed Jumper, Leonard Lambert, James Parris, Shepherd Squirrel, Clifford Hornbuckle, Dock Smith, Solomon Queen, Sam Queen, Abe Lossiah. The five licnesed preachers are: Roy French, Straight Fork; John David Arch, Yellow Hill; Blue Jay Sequoyah, Wright's Creek; Wayne Hornbuckle, Macedonia; Issac Welch, Echota.

Report accepted.

The Rev. Parris stated that a committee had omtacted Piney Grove, Rock Hill, Bethabara, and Sequoyah churches, with encouragement given by the first three, with the other still withdrawn.

Two guests from Gardner-Webb College, Mr. McGraw and Mr. Poston were present. Mr. Poston spoke on the importance of our offerings in their work, and the need for Christian education. He stated, "Jesus Christ is the hope of the world, and we have the message".

Minutes were read and approved.

Prayer and dismissal.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1972
Rock Springs Baptist Church

The session opened with a song service. Prayer led by the Rev. Dale Banks.

John 6:63-71 was the scripture passage used by Bro. Ed Welch in his devotions. This period closed with a prayer by the Rev. Dock Smith.

Roll Call was answered by 23 messengers, with2 entering later.

Bro. Ray Kinsland spoke concerning the Children's Home. He used Proverbs 22:6 as an illustration. He reports that there are 28 boys in Burgess Cottage, 13 girls in Ponting Cottage, and a third, Jackson Cottage, will be opened soon, probably in October. In the year ending in June, the accounts stand as follows: $75,411 Gifts; $21,997 earned or received from social services; Total $97,408. Expenses $33,220; $64,188 used for building; $240,000 owed; $141,000 paid; and $199,000 still owed. Donations of good, clothing and money have been received. A worship service was begun in the homes October 1 to consolidate the place of worship. Local preachers will be invited to serve. Prayer and volunteer workers will be appreciated. Singing, Bible study, testimony and preaching will be featurers of services. A children's choir has been organized and will sing at the churches upon invitation. Report accepted.

Cherokee Child Care, no representative present. It was assertained that there are approximately 40 children enrolled, hours are from 7 AM to 5 PM. Payment is according to income. Three representatives from the Association and two from the Cherokee Baptist Mission comprise the Child Care Committee.

Song and offering. Total offering $18.78. Altar prayer, followed by a song.

Taking as his text, Luke 22:31.32, Bro. Roy French brought the message, in the absence of Bro. Ed Jumper. Scripture passages Hebrews 13:5,6,; Psalm 23:1 and John 10:28,29 were also used.

After prayer and song, the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session opened with singing in both Cherokee and Englush. Due to the illness of Bro. Bill Craig, the devotions, taken from 1 Kings 3:9-11 was presented by Bro. John Standingdeer. He closed with prayer.

Roll Call was answered by 24 messengers. Five visitors were recognized and given privilege of speech.

Bro. Luther Osment spoke on the Cooperative Program and State Convention. In 1814 the Triannual Convention came into being, with Luther Rice as a traveling representative. Baptists formed the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845, at Augusta, Georgia. May 13, 1925 the Cooperative Program was started. Southern Baptists have been out of debt since 1943, mission work has grown, as well as Christian Education, homes and hosptial care. Only 4% of the money goes toward administration, 2/3 of the money stays in North Carolina with the Baptist State Convention, where it is used for state and benevolent missions, Christian Education and administration, 1/3 goes to the Southern Convention, where it is used for home and foreign missions and seminaries. There are 6000 missionaries, 522 of them in North Carolina. The watch word ofthe Cooperative Program is Sharing..The Word, God's Love, Our Money, and liv ing the Word. A question period followed. Bro. Roy French interpreted this information.

Bro. Hugh Starnes brought information regarding the Baptist Children's Home in Waynesville. Thirty-six per cent of the upkeep of the 24 children comes from the cooperative program, 29% is from Thanksgiving offerings. Individual gifts account for the remainder. All races are served, but Cherokee children are especially welcome. The children attend public school, and the First Baptist Church of Waynesville. Eight children from the Home, and fifty from the church made a trip to Ohio to witness. Two years ago a maternity home was started in conjunction with the children's home. Of the 41 girls who have been cared for thirty-nine have written their thanks. Visitors are invited to come and see first hand what is being done. A question period closed this part of the program. Literature was given to the assemblege.

The minutes were read and approved. After a song and prayer led by Bro. Alfred Panther, the meeting was adjourned.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1972
Rock Springs Baptist Church

The meeting began with a song service, under the leadership of John David Arch. Bro. Ed Welch led in prayer.

Bro. Burt Swimmer gave the devotions, using Romans 12:1,2, as his subject. He closed with prayer.

Roll Call was answered by 29 messengers. Israel Davis made his acknowledgement for his absence on Friday. Five visitors were recognized and granted the privilege of speech.

Lucy McLaughlin reported on Vacation Bible Schools. She helped in three schools and conducted schools at Water Falls and Wright's Creek, being assisted at the latter place by Miss Smith and Frances Bowman. Additional churches having Bible schools were Rock Springs, Straight Fork, Big Cove, Cherokee Mission, Yellow Hill, Buffalo and Boiling Springs. Eight churches had an attendance of 440 children. A question and remarks period followed. Bible School report accepted.

While the assemblege sang, an offering of $21.42 was taken. Altar prayer followed.

The Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle used Isaiah, chapter 6 as the text for his sermon. After prayer, led by John D. Arch, the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

Cindy Taylor and Marilyn Crowe were excused at this time.

Song service opened the afternoon session. Due to the absence of Bro. Ranz Hornbuckle, the devotions, taken from 1 Corinthians 6:19,20, were given by Bro. Warren Crowe. He reminded us that we are bought with a price, and our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.

After prayer, led by Bro. John Driver, the roll was called.

Tom Wachacha reported for the Time and Place Committee. The Association meeting for 1973 will be held at Echota Church, October 4,5,6.

Financial report by Carie Robinson.
$100.00 received from the 10 churches present.
$ 57.50 Offerings
$368.38 Balance on hand.

$ 34.91 checks not cleared
$ 5.34 from Glen Reed
$ 6.46 additional assoc. money

Love offering to Josh Davis - $82.81
Expenses $363.94
Balance on September 30, 1972 - $138.83.

Budget 1972	Budget 1973
Missionary.....$200	Missionary....$200
Clerk.....$15	Clerk.....$15
Miscelleanous..$20	Miscelleanous ..$50

Financial report accepted.

Missionary reports.

John Driver, Services in 10 homes, 15 churches, 2 redidcations, 1 baptism and 1 revival.

Bro. Deweese Bradley reported services at Piney Grove and Little Snow Bird, as well as meetings in homes with shutins who need and want to hear God's Word proclaimed. He also helped baptise two at Macedonia. It was moved and sustained by a second to take a love offering for these missionaries. The amount of $32.62 was received. A committee composed of the Rev. Dock Smith, Bro. Nick Bradley and Bro. Warren Crowe recommended Bro. Roy French and Bro. Robert Christopher as Associational Missionaries for 1973. Recommendations were accepted, and both preachers proved ready and willing to serve.

Bro. Christopher suggested a Bible School Clinic to be set up. Lucy McLaughlin was appointed to be in charge, and to work in the Bible Schools. Motion carried.

A committee was appointed by the Moderator to arrange the time and place of a Reservation wide revival. This committee consists of Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Deweese Bradley, Bro. Roy French, Margaret Davis and Lillian Crowe.

Bro. Dale Banks gave a testimony, after which he was excused, with Bro. Jarrett Blyth and Sister Mary Blyth.

It was moved and sustained by a second to set up a Seminary Extension Course.

Bro. Warren Crowe proposed that the churches send $5, $10 or $20 more to the association this year to increase our balance, standing now at $79.88 after subtracting the amount for the budget. This extra money may be sent directly to the treasurer, Carie Robinson, if desired. Motion carried.

The minutes were read and approved. After a song and prayer of benediction, the meeting was adjourned.

In addition to reports, letters show these numbers for all church represented: 1,429 church membership; 76 received by baptism, 29 received by letter or statement.

Meeting closed and adjourned with prayer.

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
Held with

ECHOTA BAPTIST CHURCH
Cherokee, N.C.

October 4, 5, 6, 1973

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
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NEXT ANNUAL SESSION
Cherokee Children's Home Baptist Chapel
Cherokee, N.C.

October 3, 4, 5, 1974

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. James Parris----------Moderator---Cherokee
Bro. John Driver------Asst. Moderator-Cherokee
Ruth Smith----------Clerk-------Cherokee
Carie Robinson---------Treasurer-------Cherokee

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES: Bro. Roy French
Bro. John Driver

COMMITTEES

Time and Place: Isaac Welch
Dr. Paul Sale
Buck West

Finance: Glenn Reed
Ray Kinsland
Virgil Swimmer
Carie Robinson, Chairman

MESSENGERS

Big Cove.....James Parris, Buck West, Norman West, Jarrett Bradley, Louise Sneed.

Big Witch....Glenn Reed, Nita Reed, Warren Crowe, Lillian Crowe.

Cherokee Baptist...Roy Cantrell, Cindy Taylor, Dillard Maney, Bob Christopher.

Children's Home Chapel....Dr. Paul Sale, Mrs. Paul Sale, Vernon Hornbuckle, Ray Kinsland, Rev. J.D. Griffin, Patricia Hornbuckle.

Echota.....Isaac Welch.

Little Snowbird...Gilliam Jackson.

Rock Springs...Ruth Smith, Martha Smith, Dock Smith, Cecelia Taylor.

Straight Fork...Virgil Swimmer, Emmaline Driver, Barbara Sequoyah, Sharon Welch, Nita Driver.

Water Falls.....John Driver.

Wright's Creek....Hartman Hornbuckle, Albert Crowe.

Yellow Hill.....Israel Davis, Margaret Davis, Bill Craig, Katie Jessan, Joletta Crowe.

Zion Hill.....Mason Ledford, Lillie Ledford.

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8. The association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. and close at 3:00 p.m.

CONSTITUTION

Article I.....This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Assoc.

Article II....The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishments of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

Article III...This association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over unless excused by the body.

Article IV....The messengers from each church will bear letters cetifying their appointment: also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each annual session to pay the expenses of the association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for two years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the association.

Article V.....The officers of the association shall be; Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionary.

Article VI.....It shall be duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject of discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII....It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Article IX....Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers.

Article X.....The association may invite visiting brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

Article XI....The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as the association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Constitution continued

Article XII....All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

Article XIII...We will receive no ministers into this association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect clerk, interpreter, treasurer, and historian.
4. Elect executive committee and missionary.
5. Denomination sermon.
6. Hear report of committees.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for treasurer's report.
10. Miscelleaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS
NINTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ECHOTA BAPTIST CHURCH

October 4, 5, 6, 1973

THURSDAY, October 4, 1973

The meeting was opened with a song service followed by prayer, led by John Driver. Dock Smith gave the devotion, using Matthew 24:44. The moderator made a few remarks, and read several passages of scripture. The Rev. and Mrs. Sanders McLamore of Oklahoma were welcomed.

The letters were read and messengers seated. Ten churches were represented, with 24 messengers answering roll call. A letter of application for membership in the Association was read from the Children's Home Baptist Chapel. Their application was accepted. The messengers from the Chapel were welcomed by a fellowship hand shake. Brother Ray Kinsland made a few remarks, thanking us for our acceptance of the Chapel to the association, and asking for our prayers.

The following officers were elected to serve during 1974. It was moved and seconded to retain Bro. James Parris as moderator. It was passed by a vote.

Assistant Moderator and Interpreter - John Driver nominated and elected.

It was moved and seconded to retain Ruth Smith as clerk, and Carie Robinson as treasurer.

The finance committee, composed of Glenn Reed, Ray Kinsland and Virgil Swimmer was appointed, with Carie Robinson as chairman.

Time and place committee - Isaac Welch, Dr. Paul Sale and Buck West.

It was moved and seconded to appoint a committee to recommend Associational Missionaries for 1974. It consists of Dock Smith, chairman; Roy Cantrell and Enoch Owle.

It was moved and seconded to seat Bro. and Sister McLemore as honorary messengers with speaking privileges.

As the song, "I'll Be Satisfied" was sung, an offering of $24.07 was received.

John Walkingstick led in prayer, asking for the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and thanking God for His love and care.

Vernon Hornbuckle and Ray Kinsland were excused from the afternoon session due to the necessity of driving the school buses.

Another song, "Prepare to Meet Thy God", was led by John Driver, while Bro. McLemore next led in prayer. The Rev. Enoch Owl brought the morning message, taking as his scripture, John 3:3, Matt. 25:34 and 35 and Luke 9:62. Bro. Parris enlarged on these scriptural thoughts. A song, "Amazing Grace" followed, after which the session was recessed for lunch. Dr. Sale offered the closing prayer.

The afternoon session began with singing in Cherokee and English, led by Isaac Welch.

The devotion was in charge of Virgil Swimmer, who used John 14:1-3, as his scriputre. He pointed out the great comfort and promise contained in these verses. He also referred to 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. He expressed concern for the unsaved and uncaring souls who will not be ready when Christ returns.

The roll was called, and the letter from Zion Hill was read and the two messengers from that church were seated.

Brother John Hyatt gave a very comprehensive report on Temperance. He stressed the relationship between alcohol and crime. Alcohol leads in drug addiction, since it is classed as a drug. Nine million confirmed alcoholics are reported, with an annual expenditure of twenty sic billion dollars for liquor. Not only is there a social problem, but physical as well. The use of alcohol is not only a problem among adults, but high school pupils and even some of those in the grades are involved. Brother Hyatt states home conditions, such as keeping drink in the house, and permissive parents are partly responsible. He advises everyone to vote against the "Liquor By The Drink" bill which comes up soon for consideration. A question period followed.

Information concerning time and place for voter registration was given in Cherokee by John Driver.

Brother Parris remarked about the untrue questionaire statement concerning an ABC Store on our reservation as printed in the One Feather and he explained the discrepances in it.

Sister Joanne McLamore of Oklahoma spoke on the W.M.U. She stated there are 39 active circles in her Association in Oklahoma. The union is involved solely in missions. She described the old time meetings with quilting, lunch and so on, as a treasured childhood memory. She mentioned the "Weeks of Prayer" now observed by the W.M.U. The Director, President, and G.A. Leader are some of the officers mentioned. She enumerated the various forms of literature needed. She advises concern for the young people and a program to get, and keep them in the church.

Steve Richmond spoke regarding the Baptist Brotherhood. No units are active now on the reservation. The definition given for "Brotherhood" is, "An association of men with a common aim". In Matthew 28:19,20, Jesus gave us the Great Commission. Brotherhood works with the young boys. Luke 13:22-30 was read as pertinent information on the subject. He had much statistical information concerning modern youth, clipped from magazines and newspapers. He advocates the plan where as the men reach out to these boys, to guide them, and above all, give them a good example to follow. He suggests a Brotherhood organization even if it is but Associational unstead of individual churches.

It was moved and seconded to accept the foregoing three reports. The minutes were read and accepted.

A song in Cherokee and a prayer, led by Brother Mason Ledford closed the session.

FRIDAY, October 5, 1973

The meeting began with singing in Cherokee, followed by prayer led by Esiah Reed. Three songs in English, with Isaac Welch leading, proceeded the devotions, given by Glenn Reed. His scripture was Luke 21:34-35 and 1 Thess. 5:1,2.

The moderator led a song, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes", and made a few remarks warning of the danger of disregarding the word of God.

Twenty seven messengers from twelve churches answered roll call. Two belated letters were read and the new messengers seated.

The Obituary report was submitted by Margaret Davis. Fifteen deaths have occurred during the past year.

Zion Hill: Claude Wachacha

Rock Springs: Elliott Kazhe, Mary F.Wolfe, Pearl Saunooke, Spade Arch, Lottie Welch, Welch Sigmeat.

Straight Fork: Hermie Queen, George Driver

Cherokee Mission: Blake Sneed, Anderson Saunooke, Ned Driver, Bill Morris, Jr.

Yellow Hill: John Jassan.

Wright's Creek: Ruth Naomi Griffin

The ordained Ministers report was read by Isaac Welch. There are 18 ordained ministers in this association. They are:
John Walkingstick, Enoch Owle, Goliath George, John Driver, Nick Bradley, Roy Cantrell, Robert Christopher, Leonard Lambert, James Parris, Clifford Hornbuckle, Dock Smith, Sam Queen, Abe Lossiah, Roy French, Thomas Lambert, Isaac Welch, Sr. J.D. Griffin, Dale Banks.

Four other names were excluded, and two are in doubt. After a discussion, it was voted to follow to the letter, the rule set down in the Association Constitution regarding actions of ordained ministers.

It was voted to accept the Obituary and ordained ministers reports.

While the song, "Stand Up For Jesus" was sung, an offering of $16.11 was received.

Mason Ledford led the prayer that preceeded the sermon by Bro. Isaac Welch. His scripture consisted of verse 14 from the seventh chapter of 2nd Chronicles, James 4:10, Job 20:22, Peter 5:6, and Revelation 2:17. He called for humble service to the Master, and stressed the necessity of the new birth in order to enter God's kingdom. He closed his sermon with prayer.

After a song in Cherokee, Cecilia Taylor, Martha Smith, Buck West, Glenn Reed, and Warren Crowe were excused from the afternoon session.

Brother John Driver led in prayer.

The assemblage was dismissed for lunch.

The afternoon session began with a song service. Esiah Reed had, as the subject for devotion, Titus 2:11-14.

Twenty-two messengers answered roll call.

Bill Craig gave the Sunday School report. For the twelve churches represented, there is a church membership enrollment of 1357. Sunday School enrollment is only 798, with an additional 100 reported on the Sunday School roll of Macedonia, making a total of 898.

The Training Union report was given by Frank Taylor. Only two Unions are active, that of Rock Springs and the Children's Home Baptist Chapel. Frank described the method of proceedure of the sessions, and pointed out the importance of the members learning to speak in public. Training Union can contribute a lot to our Christian lives. There is a total enrollment of 128, with 63 at Rock Springs and 65 at the Chapel.

The Evangelism report was as follows: Baptisms for the past year: Big witch 3, Wright's Creek 2, Zion Hill 6, Rock Springs 15, Straightfork 17, Cherokee Baptist 18, Echota 9, Big Cove 11, Yellow Hill 6, Children's Home Chapel 24.

Jarrett Bradley who gave the report stated that there were an average of 123 births in five years in the Cherokee area. He compared these statistics in the course of his report, and read scripture to enforce the duty of all Christians to evangelize, or witness for Christ.

It was voted to accept these reports.

Brother Bob Christopher brought the missionary report. For the year he preached 74 sermons in associational churches, 20 home meetings and Bible studies, 10 conferences, 12 deacon's meetings, took part in 3 revivals taught 42 Sunday School classes, and led singing at one revival. He traveled approximately 2000 miles in his work. He called attention to the need for workers where ever and when we have the opportunity.

The missionary's report was accepted.

The minutes were read and approved.

The meeting was adjourned with singing, "How Firm A Foundation", and a prayer by Norman West

SATURDAY, October 6, 1973

A song service opened the meeting. Norman West brought the devotions using 1 Thess.4:13-18 as his scripture. He reminded us to look forward with anticipation to the early return of Christ. A song closed the devotions and Israel Davis led in prayer. Bro. Parris spoke briefly.

Thirty messengers answered roll call.

The time and place committee reported the next meeting will be held at the Children's Home Baptist Chapel, beginning on the first Thursday before the first Sunday in October.

The missionary report of Bro. Roy French was read by the moderator. Bro. French preached in 15 churches and aided in two revivals. This report was accepted.

After a song, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus", the following gave their testimonies as to what God has done for them; Israel Davis, Dillard Maney, Robert Christopher, Mason Ledford, Jarrett Bradley, Isaac Welch, John Driver, Norman West, Dock Smith, Katie Jessan, Bill Craig, and Buck West.

An offering of $37.93 was received, as the congregation sang, "I'll Be Satisfied". Bill Craig led in prayer. After another song, and a prayer by Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Sanders McLamore of Oklahoma brought the message. The scripture he used was taken from Ezekiel, chapters 36 and 37, John 21:15-17, and Revelation He deplored the fact that some of our churches are without ministers, when we have so many ordained ministers without churches. At the close of the sermon, an invitation was given. Two persons took advantage of this opportunity to rededicate their lives to the service of Christ, as a closing song was sung.

A fellowship hand shake followed.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch.

A song service opened the afternoon session, after which Bro. Parris had devotion, using 1 Peter 5:1-4. Buck West led in prayer.

Joletta Crowe was excused.

The roll was called, and 17 messengers responded.

The finance committee reported the budget for the coming year. $125 for each missionary, $20.00 clerk, $30.00 miscellaneous. The budget was accepted by popular vote.
Due to the absence of the treasurer, the report was read by the Moderator, Bro. Parris.

Balance on hand, Oct. 1972 -	$378.88
Rec'd from churches and revival offerings	$3044.15
Total	$2423.03

Association expenditures -	$268.00
Revival expenditures -	$2756.22
Total	$3024.22

Bank Statement

October 1	$417.79
October 5 Deposit	$114.07
October 4 Offering	$ 24.07
October 5 Offering	$ 16.11
October 6 Offering	$ 37.93
Total	$609.97

Sent with church letters	50.00
Total Balance	$659.97

Received for Association from following churches: Echota $10.00 Rock Springs $10.00
Big Cove $20.00 Total $40.00

Expenditures for Cherokee Baptist Association for one year;

Clerk, Ruth Smith.....	$ 15.00
James Parris (for postage)....	$ 3.00
Missionary Robert Christopher.	$125.00
Missionary Roy French.....	$125.00
Total.....	$268.00

Received for tent revival:

Straight Fork Baptist Church.....	$ 30.00
" " " "	$ 20.00
Big Cove Baptist Church.....	$ 30.00
" " " "	$ 23.58
Water Falls Baptist Church.....	$ 20.00
Big Witch Baptist.....	$ 20.00
Rock Springs Baptist Church.....	$ 50.00
Little Snowbird Baptist Church.....	$ 20.00
Yellow Hill Baptist Church.....	$100.00
Jarrett and Wanda Bradley.....	$ 50.00
Union Meeting Offering (Ralph Sexton)	50.44
Carie Robinson.....	$ 20.00
Tent Offering June 13, 1973.....	$ 95.26
" " " 14, "	$415.12
" " " 16, "	$202.95
" " " 18, "	$567.25
" " " 19, "	$194.12
" " " 20, "	$145.02
" " " 21, "	$163.23
" " 22, "	$134.26
" " 23, "	$246.24
" " 24, "	$446.68
Total.....	$3044.15

Cherokee Indian Baptist Camp Fund...$1445.85

Expenditures for tent revival:

James Parris (Postage).....	$ 6.00
Isaac Welch (sign material).....	$ 18.55
D.C. Hughes (for setting poles for tent).....	$ 15.00
Nantahala Power and Light Co.....	$ 45.00
Roy Teesateskie (night watchman)...	$250.00
James Parris (Flash light batteries)	3.00
Roland Whittaker (light bulbs).....	$ 4.00
Nantahala Power and Light Co.....	$ 14.67
Bill Kelly (song leader).....	$600.00
Ralph Sexton (preaching).....	$600.00
Cherokee Boys Club Bus Service.....	$600.00
Ralph Sexton (rent on tent).....	$600.00
Total.....	$2756.22

The treasurer's report was accepted.

Bro. Dock Smith announced the nominating committee's recommendation for Associational Missionaries. They were John Driver and Roy French. It was voted to accept the recommendation of the committee.

The matter of aid for Little Snowbird was discussed and it was decided that individual churches will help them as they are able, temporarily.

It was voted to suspend services Saturday evening.

The minutes were read and approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Officers of the Association

James M. Parris.....Moderator.....Cherokee
Isaac Welch.....Assistant Moderator....Cherokee
Ruth Smith.....Clerk.....Cherokee
Carie Robinson.....Treasurer.....Cherokee

Associational Missionaries

Isaac Welch and Bob Christopher

Finance Committee

Carie Robinson
Clarence Jackson
Bert Swimmer
Harlan Moody

THEME: "Our Shame; Some Have Not A Personal Knowledge Of God". 1 Cor. 15:34

MESSENGERS

BIG COVE..... Bo Parris
Katie Davis
Buck West
Norman West

BIG WITCH..... .....Lillian Crowe
Warren Crowe

BOILING SPRINGS..... ..... John D. Arch
Sally Ann Wade
Danny Wade
Alice Wade

CHEROKEE BAPTIST .....Dillard Maney

CHILDREN'S HOME CHAPEL ..... J.D. Griffin
Harlan Moody
Ray Kinsland
Joe Maney

ECHOTA.....Isaac Welch
Judy Welch

LITTLE SNOWBIRD .....John Driver
Gilliam Jackson

ROCK SPRINGS.....Ruth Smith
Cecelia Taylor
James Bradley
John Tahquette

STRAIGHT FORK .....Roy French
Agnes Welch
Virgil Swimmer
Jessie Swimmer

WATERFALLS..... John Driver

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MESSENGERS continued

ZION HILL .....Clarence Jackson
Bettie Jackson
Bo Parris

YELLOW HILL ..... Roland Whitaker
Israel Davis
Margaret Davis
Cora Haigler
Arch Miller

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect moderator and assistant moderator.
3. Elect clerk, interpreter, treasurer, and historian.
4. Elect Executive committee and missionary.
5. Denomination sermon.
6. Hear report of committees.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for treasurer's report.
10. Miscelleaneous business.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Children's Home Chapel
October 3, 1974

The meeting opened with a song service, led by Bro. Norman West, followed by devotions. Brother Israel Davis took as his scripture Matthew 5:14. He called on us as God's children to let our lights shine, and to work for Christ. Our lives are to be a witness and example. He closed with a prayer in Cherokee.

Letters were read from twelve churches, and twenty-two messengers seated. The letters were approved.

Brother Knight from the Baptist State Hospital was recognized.

Election of officers followed. For moderator, James Parris was retained by popular vote. Assistant moderator, Isaac Welch was nominated and elected. Clerk, it was moved and seconded to retain Ruth Smith. Treasurer, Carie Robinson was nominated

and retained. She suggested a treasurer to handle the Camp Meeting Funds be elected.

Associational Missionaries election was postponed until Saturday.

The Finance Committee was appointed, consisting of Bert Swimmer, Harlan Moody, Clarence Jackson and Carie Robinson as chairman.

As a song was sung, an offering of $13.12 was received. Another song, and a prayer led by Bro. Dock Smith preceeded the sermon by the Reverend J.D. Griffin. He chose for his scripture, John 6:1-14. He pointed out that Phillip was "cash minded", Andrew was "crowd minded", and neither was "Christ minded." He likened the bread and fishes to the spiritual food we are expected to share. He stressed the fact that there is now a famine for the Word of God. Our shame is our failure to break the Bread of Life to a hungry populace. They NEED what we HAVE. We have not earned it, or merited it, and have failed to share it as we should. This food must go from God, through us, to them. He closed with prayer that we might feed others spiritually, and they can receive and digest this food.

The moderator made a few remarks, showing that if we use what we have, with God's help we can do much.

Brother Knight spoke breifly, stating that 51 years ago the hospital opened in Winston-Salem. There human healing is subjugated to spiritual healing. He said modern methods are used, but the hospital personnel realize and acknowledge there is a higher Power over these extensive new methods. He expressed thanks for all aid given the hospital. Persons who need help but cannot pay, are helped by the Mother's Day Fund. He invited any interested persons to visit the hospital.

Brother McLamore of Murphy, and Brother Harris of Victory Baptist Church were introduced. After a song, Brother Harris offered prayer, and the meeting was recessed for lunch.

Brother Isaac Welch served as moderator for the afternoon session, which opened with a song service. Brother Clarence Jackson used Romans 10:1 and the nucleus for his devotions. He advised concern for the unsaved, for being a good witness for Christ, and allowing Him to take complete control of our lives. We should live and work for our Lord first of all. Brother Roy French led in prayer.

Twenty-two messengers answered roll call.

Brother Dillard Maney brought the report on Training Union. Two churches, Children's Home Chapel and Rock Springs have 57 enrolled in each, making a total of 114. Cherokee Baptist plans to begin holding Training Union classes in the near future. He explained the use and proceedure of Training Union sessions. Brother Bo Parris made a few remarks advocating the real worth of Training Union. It was voted to accept and approve the foregoing report.

The report on House to House Visitation was given by Norman West. He read scripture citing the need for spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. He recited some of his experiences while out visiting in homes. Brother Isaac Welch also spoke briefly on this subject. Brother Harlan Moody advocates prayer before visiting. Brother Dillard Maney recounted an experience showing results under God's leadership.

Brother Bo Parris called attention to Acts 5:42 and the need for persistant daily witnessing. He explained the proceedure used by Big Cove in its visitation program.

In the absence of Mrs. Calvin Walkingstick, the Child Care report was brought by Sister Lucy McLaughlin. There was an average monthly attendance of 25-30 during 1973-74. The present enrollment is thirty-two. The children receive training in Bible storeis and verses, amid a general good home atmosphere. There are applications waiting to be filled due to lack of space and teachers. It was voted to acdept this report.

A waiting period was occupied by a short song service. It was moved and approved by a second to have the minutes read at this time. They were read and approved.

Brother Ray Kinsland reported on Christian Education. The church building and furnishings cost $36,000, all payments were donations from members and other interested persons. The organ and piano were obtained through Mrs. Mary Chiltoskie and by a gift of Green Stamps. He said the present enrollment at Mars Hill of 1574 is the largest in history. A scholarship was offered, first to an inhabitant of the Children's Home, or if not needed there, to someone on the reservation at large. Sharon Bradley is attending Mars Hill because of this scholarship. Until the churches can fully support the college, and government money must be accepted, we must expect government orders to go with it. In November a special Bible Study program for preachers will take place. He states that if we are Christians, we chould be every day Christians and in every place we go. He pointed out that we cannot judge schools and other institutions by a few, either good or bad. This report was approved and accepted by vote. It was moved and seconded to accept this addition to the minutes. After a song, a handshake and a prayer by Harlan Moody, the meeting was dismissed.

Friday, October 4, 1974

The meeting for Friday October 4 began with a song service. Brother Esiah Reed led the devotions, using Acts 1:8 and Acts 2:1-4 as his subject. He pointed out the need for the Holy Spirit in all our lives. Israel Davis led in prayer.

Twenty-five messengers answered roll call.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick and Mrs. Gorham were welcomed as visitors. A song in Cherokee followed.

Brother Warren Crowe gave the report on Sunday Schools as follows:

Church Membership	Sunday School	Church
109	98	Big Cove
38	20	Little Snowbird
100	81	Children's H. Chapel
20	21	Boiling Springs
41	41	Echota
46	31	Waterfalls
71	31	Big Witch
187	80	Yellow Hill
197	73	Straight Fork
153	95	Rock Springs
125	58	Zion Hill
474	130	Cherokee Baptist
79	?	Macedonia

Brother Crow advocates instituting an "out reach" committee to contact Sunday School prospects. A discussion followed with Brothers, Bob Christopher Dillard Maney, and Bo Parris participating. It was voted to accept the Sunday School report.

While a song was sung, an offering of $23.11 was received. Brother Isaac Welch led in prayer. The following were excused: J.D. Griffin, Warren Crow and Ray Kinsland. John Driver was excused temporarily.

Several who attended the meeting but were not messengers were granted the privilege of speaking, but not voting. There were four from Macedonia, Two from Cherokee Baptist, and one each from Yellow Hill and Big Cove. Also Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks and Mrs. Gorham.

Norman West led in prayer.

After a song, Brother Roy French brought the message, in place of Brother Dock Smith, who was absent, due to illness. He used 1 Corinthians 15:34 as an illustration of his opening remarks. "Being Involved" was the subject of his sermon. He used as his text, Luke 9:23-26. He pointed out that our actions and our words do not always agree. He advised us to get involved in spreading the Word, no matter what the cost to ourselves. He closed his discourse with prayer.

Prayer was offered by Brother Buck West, before the meeting was dismissed for dinner.

The afternoon session began with a song service, led by Brother Norman West. The assistant moderator, Brother Isaac Welch presided in the afternoon. Brother Virgil Swimmer led the devotion using John 20:21 as his scripture reading. He also referred to Matthew 28:18-20 and Phil. 4:4-7. Prayer closed his devotions.

Twenty-two messengers answered roll call.

Cecelia Taylor brought the obituary report. Ten deaths have occurred during the past year, they are: George Teesateskie, Sr., Little Snowbird; Thomas Jumper, Children's Home Chapel; Mrs. Pauline Beasley, Yellow Hill; Thomas R. Driver and Spencer Driver, Straight Fork; Ray Bradley, Elwood Smith, and Doris Youngdeer Queen, Rock Springs; Gaffney Long, Zion Hill; Rachel George, Macedonia. It was voted to accept this report.

Roy French brought the report on licensed and ordained ministers. There are 22 ordained, but some are inactive. There are 5 licensed preachers. The ordained ministers are as follows: John Walkingstick, Enoch Owle, Goliath George, Nick Braldey, Clifford Hornbuckle, Dock Smith, Dee Owle, J.D. Griffin, Roland Whitaker, Robert Christopher, James Parris, Abe Lossiah, Dewees Bradley, Leonard Lambert, Thomas Lambert, John Driver, Dale Banks, Isaac Welch Sr., Roy French, Shepherd Squirrel, Arthur Locust, and Sam Queen. The liscensed preachers consist of: John David Arch, James Sequoayah, Wayne Hornbuckle, Tom Wachacha and Harlan Moody. Brothers Sam Teesatuskie and Louis Brown are serving in two churches not in this association. It was moved and approved by a second to accept the ministers report.

Brother Buck West gave the temperance report. He deplored the excessive use of alcoholic drinks by our people. We are forbidden by God's word to indulge in such beverages. We should learn the meaning of the word "Temperance". People should put their money to a more useful purpose than alcohol. He used Romans 14:21 as his authority. Brother West's report was accepted.

The W.M.U. report was given by Sister Margaret Davis. She advocates a Woman's Missionary Union in each of our churches. She called for the women to back up the men in Christian service. She cited the need for articles for burned out families, and related that the women made quilts, while some donated sheets and other necessary articles. This is a good chance to share, both materially and spiritually. Sister Carie Robinson spoke briefly about her recent trip to Mexico, and the great need for help for missions.

Brother Bro Parris spoke on pastors and visitation. He stated that people will do what their pastors do. Selections from Ezekiel, Hebrews, Titus and Timothy were used to illustrate his words. Some preachers use their office as a means of making money. A pastor's duty is to his flock, even though he must hold down a job to support his family. He should follow the instructions given in the Word of God, and be a good example to all those in his care. He has cares and troubles, but a trust in God will carry him through.

Brother Virgil Swimmer spoke next on Deacons and visitation. He stated that, where God calls the preachers, the church calls the deacons. He read Acts 6:1-4 and discussed it. Deacons some times fail by not taking their duties seriously. 1 Timothy 3 gives the qualifications for a deacon AND HIS WIFE. These should be thoroughly investigated before the deacons are ordained.

A committee composed of Dillard Maney, Clarence Jackson and Israel Davis was appointed to nominate Associational Missionaries.

Bo Parris, Isaac Welch, Buck West, Norman West and Lillian Crowe were excused from the Saturday morning session for as long as necessary.

The minutes were read and after corrections were accepted.

After a song, Brother Esiah Reed dismissed the assemblege with prayer.

Saturday, October 5, 1974

The Saturday meeting opened with singing, led by the moderator, Brother Parris, after which Bro. John Driver led in prayer.

Due to the absence of Albert Crowe, Warren Crowe brought the devotion, using Luke 24:45-48.

He pointed out that if the unsaved are fed spiritually, we, the saved, must feed them. He closed with a prayer.

Twenty one messengers answered roll call, with two excused. Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Swimmer were also excused at this time, to attend a funeral.

Brother Isaac Welch took over the duties of moderator at this time.

The reports of the missionaries followed. John Driver reported 69 sermons in churches, 25 services in homes, 15 hospital visits, conducted 3 funerals, worked for a week in a revival. There were 22 rededications, and he baptised one convert.

Brother Isaac Welch made 23 homes visits, called at Cherokee hosptial 17 times and Bryson hospital 7 times. He worked in 6 revivals, only one of which was in our Association, at Little Snowbird, with 7 saved. There were 39 rededications. He preached 13 sermons in churches, and participated in a Bible Study for 6 nights. He stated he traveled 3800 miles during the year in his capacity as Associational Missionary. It was voted to accept the Missionary's reports.

As a song was sung, led by Brother Bob Christopher, an offering of $16.16 was received.

Brother Hedricks spoke following a period of prayer. He stressed the point that saved people must do an about face and be new person. He advocated tithing for each of us, cheerful giving, and not grudgingly. He advised more strictness in dealing with the actions of church members. Bo Parris led the singing of a hymn in Cherokee, after which he read scripture from Matthew 28:16-20. This passage, together with Mark 16:15-18, John 21:21 and Acts 1:8 present a complete picture of our job to "go and tell". He recalled God's promise to save and forgive, if we truly repent.

After a song, led by Norman West, Brother Luther Osment offered prayer, and the meeting was recessed for lunch.

The last session of the Associational meetings for 1974 opened with singing, led by Brother Bo Parris and Brother Norman West. The devotion was given by John David Arch, who opened and closed this period with prayer. II Timothy 4:6-8 was the scripture used. He called upon all saved people to do the will of God where ever it may lead us, at what ever price and any any time.

Twenty-five messengers answered roll call.

It was moved and approved by a second to allow Brother Hedricks a period to enlarge on his earlier remarks.

Carie Robinson gave the report for the finance committee:

Balance on hand	$622.04
Received October 3	
Big Cove	10.00
Big Wtich	10.00
Zion Hill	10.00
Straight Fork	10.00
Rock Springs	10.00
Echota	10.00
Boiling Springs	10.00
Little Snowbird	10.00
Waterfalls	10.00
Yellow Hill	10.00
Children's Home Chapel	15.00
Cherokee Baptist	20.00
Offering - Thursday, Oct. 3	13.12
Friday, Oct. 4	23.11
Saturday, Oct. 5	16.16
Total	$809.43

Expenditures:

Paid John Driver, Missionary.....$125.00
Paid Isaac Welch, Missionary..... 100.00
Paid Biltmore Press for printing
minutes book backs..... 186.63
Paid Ruth Smith, Clerk..... 20.00

Total Paid Out.....$431.63

Balance on hand.....$622.04
Received..... 187.39
Total..... 809.43
Paid out..... 431.63
Balance to date, Oct. 5.....$377.80

Proposed Budget for the coming year 1974-75

Each Missionary.....$150.00
Clerk..... 20.00
Miscelleanous..... 25.00

Cherokee Indian Baptist Camp
Expenditures:
First Union Bank, for checks.....$ 1.14
Postage..... 5.00
Boy's Club bus service, tent meeting.240.00
Acquonia Cafe dinner for tent workers..... 8.48
Nantahala Power and light, tent hookup.... 45.00
Maness Mfg. Co. Shavings for tent..... 12.00
Qualla Market, light bulbs..... 2.65
Bro. Kelly, rent for tent.....600.00
Bro. Kelly, Love Offering.....400.00
A.A.A. Printing Co. Posters..... 38.58
Roy Teesateskie..night watch man.....125.00
Nantahala Power and Light Co..... 4.68
Port-a-John.....145.00
Total..... $1627.53

Cherokee Indian Baptist Camp. Beginning of 1973-74

Balance on hand	$1445.85
Taken in	4462.04
Total	5907.89
Paid out	1627.53
Balance	4280.36

Balance on hand according to bank statement

Savings account	$3791.08
Checking account	635.97
Total	4427.05

It was moved and sustained by a second to approve this report. It was moved and seconded to elect Bo Parris as assistant treasurer for the camp meeting fund. Dillard Maney was elected to the office of Treasurer for a period of two years.

Roy French, of the Time and Place Committee stated the next meeting will be held at Zion Hill OCtober 2,3, and 4, 1975.

Dillard Maney as spokesman for the Associational Missionary nominating committee, submitted the names of Isaac Welch and Robert Christopher for consideration. It was moved and approved by a second to accept this nomination.

A period was given over to remarks and suggestions, with 6 men participating in the discussion.

The minutes were read and approved by vote.

After a closing song and fellowship handshake the meeting was dismissed with prayer by Israel Davis.

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"Go Ye Into All The World"

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NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held with

BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH
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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. James M. Parris .....Moderator

Bro. Isaac Welch .....Assistant Moderator

Sister Ruth Smith..... Clerk

Bro. Dillard Maney ..... Treasurer

COMMITTEES

TIME AND PLACE:
- Bro. Ray Kinsland
- Bro. John Driver
- Sister Judy Welch

FINANCE:
- Bro. Alfred Panther
- Bro. Israel Davis
- Bro. Frank Taylor

RULES OF DECORUM

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PROCEEDINGS
NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Big Cove Baptist Church
October 2,3,4, 1975

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

The session opened with singing, followed by prayer led by Bro. Dock Smith. Due to the absence of Bro. Mason Ledford, the devotion was given by Bro. Parris, using 1 Corinthians 3:9,10 as the scripture. The theme, "We are Laborers together with God" was stressed. A prayer, led by Bro. Roy French, closed this period.

The rules of Decorum were read by the moderator.

The church letters were read and approved and 17 messengers seated. Eight churches were represented. Visitors from local churches whose letters have not been received were granted the right to speak.

Bro. Roy French led in singing, "I Am Thine, O Lord", before the election of officers for the coming year.

Assistant moderator, Bro. Isaac Welch presided at the election, as the present moderator, Bro. James Parris was retained, as well as the assistant moderator, Bro. Welch.

The clerk, Ruth Smith was retained. Sister Carie Robinson was released as treasurer at her own request, and Dillard Maney was elected to succeed her.

The finance committee for the coming year, Alfred Panther, Isreal Davis and Frank Taylor, was appointed.

Time and place committee will be Ray Kinsland, John Driver and Judy Welch.

Bros. James Parris, Ray Kinsland, Frank Taylor and Dock Smith asked to be excused, and permission was granted. Bro. Roy French is to be excused for tomorrow.

Bro. Charles Owle was appointed to give the Temperance report, while Bro. Alfred Panther will give the Evangelism report.

Rev. Haven Lowe led in prayer.

Bro. John Driver brought an inspirational sermon in Cherokee and English, using 1 Corinthians 3:9 as his scriptural reference. He stressed the fact that we should have faith in God's word, we should work for Him, and, above all, we should pray, and prepare ourselves to meet our Lord. We cannot serve two masters, and God should be the guiding Light in our lives.

Bros. Isaac Welch, Haven Lowe and John Driver were appointed to recommend an Associational Missionary.

After a song and prayer led by Bro. Isaac Welch, the meeting was recessed for lunch.

The afternoon session, with Bro. Welch as moderator, opened with singing, followed by devotion led by Bro. Enoch Owle. Acts 1 * was the subject for his discussion. He closed with prayer. Bro. Isaac Welch made a few pertinent remarks.

The delayed letter from the Rock Hill church was read and approved and the messengers seated.

Sixteen messengers answered the afternoon roll call.

Bro. Charles Owle gave the temperance report. He deplored the use of alcohol here on the reservation and asked for suggestions as to how this may be curbed. Bro. Isaac Welch advocated prayer, and also stressed the need for action as well. Bro. Owle suggested visiting Chief Crowe in an effort to remedy this situation. He asked for volunteers to go with him.

Bro. James Harris stated the prevalence of drug and narcotics here is greater than alcohol.

The Evangelism report was brought by Bro. Alfred Panther. He pointed out that there were 37 saved and baptised this past year in 9 churches. He said we are failing as parents and teachers. He reminded us that it is the duty of each of us to work, to give and to pray that souls may be won. He advised saved persons to witness at home as well as abroad. We have the Bible as our guide book, but often we fail to utilize this source of help. He closed with prayer.

A verse of "Amazing Grace" was sung, after which the afternoon message was brought by Bro. Haven Lowe. Bro. Lose took as his scripture, John 3:14-18. He stated that, while missions begin at home, they do not end there. We have 2500 missionaries in 85 countries that should be supported spiritually and financially. He looks on Christianity as the World Religion, and it is our duty to aid in making it so. Christianity is Life, with God as its Author. He closed his sermon with prayer.

The minutes were read and approved.

The assemblage was dismissed with a song, hand shake and prayer led by Bro. Roy French.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

A song service opened the morning session, followed by prayer, led by Bro. Frank Taylor. Bro. Isreal Davis has as the subject for the devotions, Ephesians 4:1-3. He began this period with singing and closed with prayer.

Fourteen messengers answered roll call as representatives of seven churches. Bro. Dock Smith was absent because of illness.

The Rev. and Mrs. McLamore were seated with us with the privilege to speak on all subjects.

Bro. Norman West gave the Sunday School report. Enrollment of Sunday School by churches as follows:

Rock Springs	95
Boiling Springs	35
Big Cove	96
Cherokee Baptist	102
Children's Home Chapel	93
Little Snowbird	40
Rock Hill	11
Straight Frok	45
Waterfalls	19
Yellow Hill	77
Zion Hill	85

The Training Union report was given by Bro. Frank Taylor. Enrollment by churches as follows:

Cherokee Baptist	32
Children's Home Chapel	62
Rock Springs	57

Sister Carie Robinson gave the treasurer's report as follows:

Expenditures for 1974-1975

Balance on hand October 1	$339.80
Rec'd Big Cove Church	50.00
Total	$389.80

Paid Out

Oct. 5, 1974---Ruth Smith, Clerk	$20.00
Nov. 1974--Postage	8.00
Dec. 1974--Isaac Welch, Missionary	37.50
Dec. 1974--Robert Christopher, Miss.	37.50
Jan. 1975- P.O. Mailing Permit	45.00
Feb. 1975- Gray & Creech printing supplies	54.21
Apr. 1975- John Walkingstick, Missionary	37.50
April 1975-Robert Christopher, Missionary	37.50
July 1975-John Walkingstick, Missionary-	37.50
July 1975- Robert Christopher, Missionary	37.50
August, 1975- John Walkingstick Missionary	37.50
August 1975- Postage	4.50
Total	$356.71
Balance on hand	$207.48

Received from Churches

Boiling Springs	$10.00
Rock Springs	10.00
Big Cove	10.00
Yellow Hill	10.00
Straight Fork	10.00
Ch. Home Chapel	15.00
Little Snowbird	10.00
Cherokee Baptist	20.00

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Treasurer's report continued

Zion Hill	$10.00
Waterfalls	10.00
Rock Hill	10.00
Total	$125.00
Offering Thursday	15.59
Offering Friday	19.13
Total	$159.72

The finance committee report was brought by Bro. Alfred Panther. Recommended budget for the coming year is $150 for missionary; clerk, $20, and $20 misscellaneous.

These two report were accepted.

Bro. Haven Lowe read the report from the Cherokee Child Care Center. There are 36 enrolled at the present time. Fifteen graduated from Kindergarten in August. The staff took a week's training at Ridgecrest, while the Home Mission board sent Mrs. Virginia Taylor to spend a week as a volunteer worker at the Center. Both these events took place in August. This report was accepted.

It was moved and sustained by a second that the meeting be adjourned until the evening session.

The minutes were read and approved.

After a song and a hand shake, Bro. Lloyd Johnson led the closing prayer, and the session was closed.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

The service opened with singing led by Bro. Norman West. Bro. Frank Taylor led the devotion, in the absence of Bro. John Crowe. He read Psalm 133:1 and discussed it briefly. Bro. Isreal Davis led in prayer.

Twenty-one messengers from ten churches answered roll call. The delayed letters from Zion Hill and Waterfalls were read and accepted and the messengers seated.

Bro. John Walkingstick brought the missionary report. He worked in three revivals, one at Zion Hill, where 7 were saved and 8 rededicated. One at Big Witch, and last at Straightfork where 3 rededicated. He visited most of the reservation churches, concentrating on those without a pastor.

Bro. John Driver gave the Time and Place report. The 1976 meeting will be at the Cherokee Baptist Church, September 30, October 1 and 2.

Bro. Norman West presented the ordained ministers report. Ordained ministers and the churches they serve are as follows; Bethabara, Dee Owle; Big Cove, James Parris; Cherokee Baptist, Haven Lowe; Children's Home Chapel, J.D. Griffin; Echota, Tom Lambert; Little Snowbird, John Driver; Macedonia, John Walkingstick; Piney Grove, Able Lossiah; Rock Hill, Enoch Owle; Rock Springs, Dock Smith and Dan Lambert; Straightfork, Isaac Welch; Zion Hill, Roy French.

Licensed ministers include John D. Arch, interim pastor, Boiling Springs: James Sequoyah, Wayne Hornbuckle, Tom Machacha, Harlan Moody, Moody Reed and James Sneed.

Ministers having no churches are Goliath George, Nick Bradley, Clifford Hornbuckle, Leonard Lambert, Arthur Locust, Shepherd Squirrell, Sam Queen, Hilliard Sneed and Joe Bradley. After a discussion, the foregoing reports were accepted.

The Rev. J. D. Griffin made a few enlightening remarks on the purpose of Training Union. Rev. Lowe told of the resurrection of the Training Union program at Cherokee Baptist Church recently, and its growth, he offered his help to any church that wishes to organize a Training Union group.

Sister Carie Robinson presented the report on W.M.U. and Acteens. There is but one group of each at present with 25 members in the combined groups. Sister McLamore gave some pertinent remarks on W.M.U. and its importance in Christian work.

Brother Sanders McLamore spoke briefly on Brotherhood, which is now inactive in our Association. Brother Lowe told of the proceedure practiced in his former church, concerning adults and children's groups.

The three foregoing reports were accepted as read.

A song was sung, an offering of $19.13 was taken.

Brother J. D. Griffin led in prayer.

The morning message was brought by Bro. Isaac Welch. His scripture reference was taken from Isaiah 59:103. He reminded his listeners of the power and willingness of God to aid His children at all times and in all situations. He advocated perfect faith and trust in our Heavenly Father, and we should be willing to work and carry out God's will in our lives.

Carie Robinson, Brother. Parris and Brother Griffin asked to be excused from the afternoon session. This request was granted.

After paryer, led by Brother Lowe, the meeting was recessed for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing, led by Brother Norman West. Brother Isaac Welch presided at this meeting. Brother West led the devotions, using 1 Corinthians 16:1,2 as his scripture. He pointed out our obligation to tithe, and closed with prayer.

Eleven messengers answered roll call.

In the absence of Sarah Catt, the clerk read the obituary report. Eighteen deaths have occured during the past year. Cherokee Baptist; John Guy Hester, Linda Rattler, Manco Sneed and Deacon Mike Walkingstick; Rock Springs, Betty Smith, Deacon John Maney and Alice Swimmer; Little Snowbird, Winnie Tecsateskie; Yellow Hill, Dave Davis and Ruth Bushyhead; Rock Hill, Becky Taylor; Straightfork, Cecelia Johnson and Nick Driver; Waterfalls, Raymond Jenkins and Anna May Hornbuckle.

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Macedonia, Jackie Jackson, Mary Jo Littlejohn and Scottie Sneed. This report, as well as the ordained ministers report was tabled until the next day. Brother Norman West was appointed to compile the latter report.

The moderator clairified the rules pretaining to messengers sent to the Association from various churches.

As a song was sung, an offering of $52 was received. This was a love offering for the Reverend Sanders McLamore of Stillwell, Oklahoma who brought the morning message, using 1 Corinthians 3:1-13 and passages from 1 Timothy 5:17 as his scripture reference. Brother John Walkingstick led the prayer that proceeded the sermon.

Brother McLamore pointed out the futility of running from God. He warned that Devine retribution will be swift and terrible, citing the experience of Jonah as an example. If we accept God's wishes and carry them out, he mentioned the happiness we will have, which is the reward for work well done. This period was closed by singing an invitational Hymn and with prayer.

After a song, and a prayer of thanks led by Brother John D. Arch, the meeting was recessed for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing. Bro. Esiah Reed read for his devotion, Matthew 25:21,34 and 46. He spoke briefly on this passage and closed with prayer.

Twenty-two messengers answered roll call. Three visitors from Macedonia were recognized and granted permission to speak.

The obituary report tabled from yesterday was accepted.

The moderator explained the duties of the Executive Committee, and Brother Isaac Welch interpreted in Cherokee. It was moved and sustained by a second to allow the Executive Committee authority to carry out any necessary work that needs to be done during the year. The motion was carried.

One trustee for the camp meeting project was elected to succeed Brother John D. Arch, whose period of service has expired. Brother Arch was reappointed for a three year term.

An Executive Committee meeting was announced for November 3 at 7 P.M., to be held at yellow Hill church. The purpose of the meeting is to disucss our new building's completion, and obtaining a preacher for the camp meeting to begin on the third Sunday night in June.

The Associational Missionary who was recommended by the committee was Brother Dock Smith. After a discussion, it was moved and seconded to have two missionaries. The committee was continued to November 1, when ten extra dollars are required from each church. Isaac Welch was appointed chairman. The recommendation of the committee regarding Brother Smith as missionary was accepted unanimously.

Nominations were called for to acquire a new treasurer for the camp meeting fund. Brother Nancy reported $147.12 in the fund at this time.

Brother Alfred Panther and Sister Emily West were nominated for the office of treasurer, with Sister West elected to serve, with Brother Panther to be co-signer of any checks necessary for the camp meeting. Brother Parris will remain as emergency co-signer.

The minutes were read and, after corrections, were accepted.

It was moved and sustained by a second to adjourn the meeting. After a song and fellowship handshake, Brother Israel Davis led the closing prayer.

CHURCH	PASTOR	CHURCH CLERK
Big Cove	James Parris	Gladys Parris
Boiling Springs	John D. Arch	Mary Ann Ball
Cherokee Baptist	Haven C. Lowe	Carie Robinson
Children's Home Chapel	J. D. Griffin	Patricia Hornbuckle
Little Snowbird	Roy French	Lou Ellen Jones
Rock Hill	Enoch Owle	Alta Harris
Rock Springs	Dock Smith Dan Lambert	Ruth Smith
Straight Fork	Isaac Welch	Jessie Swimmer
Waterfalls	No Pastor	Nellie Driver
Yellow Hill	Roland Whitaker	Joletta Crowe
Zion Hill	John Driver	Hettie Smoker

CHURCH	MEMBERS	BAPTISM	LETTERS & STATEMENT	LOST BY LETTER AND DEATH	S.S.	T.U.	V.P.S
Big Cove	113	7	3	3	96	0	75
Boiling Springs	16	7	0	0	35	0	30
Cherokee Baptist	470	5	13	10	102	32	48
Children's Home Chapel	105	2	4	4	98	62	83
Little Snowbird	54	9	12	2	40	0	28
Rock Hill	67	2	2	0	11	0	0
Rock Springs	150	4	9	11	95	57	87
Straight Fork	192	1	3	7	45	0	65
Waterfalls	39	3	0	2	19	0	0
Yellow Hill	179	0	0	8	77	0	44
Zion Hill	136	11	3	2	85	0	0